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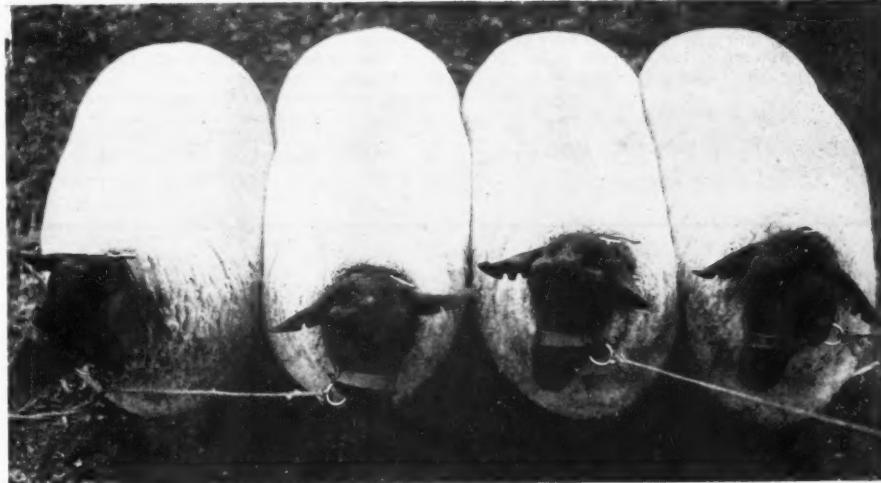
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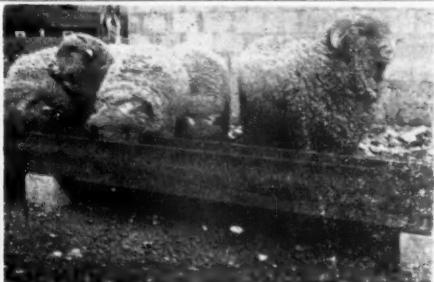


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From the Association Office . . .

WOOL GROWERS PLAN SPECIAL TO PORTLAND

ARRANGEMENTS are now being made for a Sheep and Goat Raisers special train to Portland, Oregon for the National Wool Growers 87th annual Convention to be held in the Rose City, December 4-7. A tentative schedule will include the scenic highlights of the western United States. A minimum of 125 persons will be required to merit special train accommodations. If this number is not attained, special cars will be provided on a regular train.

Convention goers will ride the Santa Fe from San Angelo to San Francisco. A full day stop over in San Francisco will precede the trip through the California redwood country via the Southern Pacific. The return trip from Portland features the famed Columbia River Highway route on the Union Pacific to Salt Lake City and Denver. From Denver the train will be routed through Amarillo, Lubbock and back to San Angelo.

First class round trip fare including pullman will be in the neighborhood of \$225 per person. This rate may be reduced according to the number of persons who make the trip.

Everyone interested in this combination business-pleasure tour should notify the Association office as soon as possible so that more definite plans can be made with railroad officials.

\$1-A-BAG NETS

\$8,000 TO DATE

RESPONSE HAS been very favorable to the Association's request for a voluntary donation of \$1 a bag on wool to insure a reserve fund for current additional expenses and for less prosperous years. To date over

play award in the 1950 contest by Display World. In connection with this award, publicity was released with the pictures of the display."

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\$8,000 has come into the Office. This does not include the permission which many growers have given their warehousemen to deduct a \$1 a bag when the fall wool comes in.

Already a part of this fund has paid for scabies prosecution, and a part has gone to reimburse the chief scabies inspector for expenses incurred over and above those allowed by the State. A part has gone to the National Livestock Tax committee also, which reports favorable progress on the capital gains amendment — a vital issue to all livestockmen.

NO NEW SCAB CASES REPORTED

MORE THAN a month has passed since any outbreak of scabies has been reported in Texas. The state is well on the way to being clean again.

BANNER MONTH FOR NEW MEMBERS

FROM JUNE 7 to June 26 the Association has received 235 new members and 125 reinstatements for a total of 360 additional members in good standing.

Wool . . .

MOST OF the Texas wools have been contracted for some time but it is estimated that five to six million pounds of free-wool, both 12-months and 8-months, remain in the state.

A small percentage of the fall wool tonnage has been contracted at \$1 net to the grower.

At Lometa, Tom Parker, San Angelo representative for Emery, Russell and Goodrich, Boston, purchased two carloads of 12-months wool at \$1.28 per pound from L. M. Stephens Warehouse.

The Hollis Blackwell Warehouse at Goldthwaite sold 100,000 pounds of 12-months fleeces to Bill Fields of Sonora, buying for Albert A. Schneider, Inc., Boston. Prices ranged from \$1.05 to \$1.08 per pound.

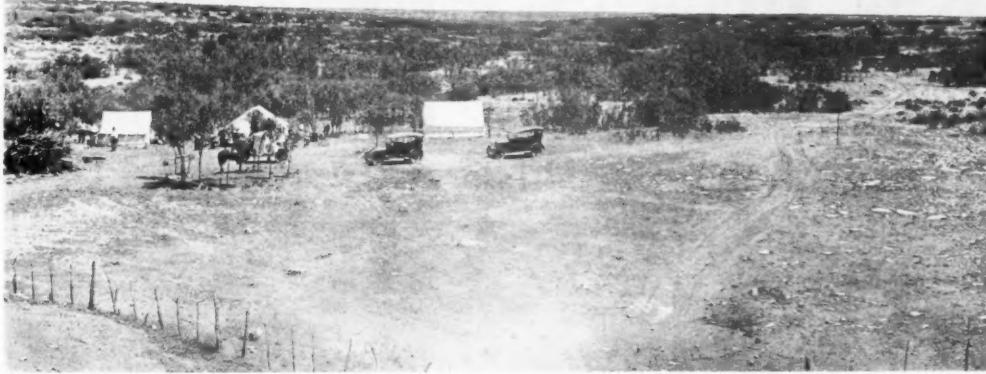
Another 12-month purchase was made by C. J. Webre, Jr. of San Angelo who bought a carload from the Marfa Wool and Mohair Co. for his firm, Forte, Dupee and Sawyer, Boston.

A \$1 per pound net to the grower was the price on 100,000 pounds of fall wool which Clyde Young purchased from Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company. Young buys for Winslow & Co., Boston.

Another fall wool purchase of a carload was reported from Sanderson Wool Commission Co. The price was \$1 net and the buyer was G. W. Shield, San Angelo representative for Hallowell, Jones & Donald, Boston. Shield also contracted 10,000 fleeces through the Ozona Wool and Mohair Company at the same price.

The Sanderson warehouse sold a carload of wool to Jackson Hughes of San Angelo at a \$1 per pound net. Hughes is a buyer for Emery, Russell and Goodrich, Boston.

Essentially the Same---



...But, Times Have Changed

This picture was made near the Sonora Experiment Station in 1914. Notice the absence of cedar, telephone lines, modern vehicles and many other things we associate with that section today. The scene, however, is essentially the same.

The local banks of 1951 are modern indeed. The type of service they render has of necessity gathered more phases and more newly minted details than the same business of a few years ago. But essentially it is the same, and RANCHMEN TODAY KNOW THAT THE BEST COLLATERAL THEY CAN HAVE IS STILL THE FRIENDSHIP OF THEIR LOCAL BANKER

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**Rocksprings, Texas
August 2-3-4**

Angora Goat Raisers Schedule Sale for Rocksprings

EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY EXPECTED IN SALE OFFERINGS

ROCKSPRINGS, the county seat of one of the foremost Angora goat producing counties in the state, is host to the Texas Angora Goat Raisers as they meet for their annual show and sale. This will be the ninth time in the history of the industry that Rocksprings entertains the goat industry and each time the event was marked by exceptional attendance and unusually successful sales.

Rocksprings is called the Angora capital of the world and has played a major part in the forward progress of the Angora industry. The office of the National Record Association, the American Angora Goat Breeders Association, is located there; and the city is located in the heart of the Angora section of Texas. The past sales held in this city have always attracted the top Angoras of the nation; and judging from the comments of the consignors to the 1951 sale, this year will be no exception.

The bucks and does for this year's sale will be selected at the ranch of the consignor thirty days before the sale, as they were last year. Mr. Fred Earwood and Mr. Armer Earwood will do the selecting this year. In addition to this individual selection at the ranch of the consignor, Mr. Fred Earwood will select and place the top twenty-five bucks of the consignment at Rocksprings on the first afternoon of the show and sale, Thursday, August 2. These twenty-five will sell Saturday, August 4, in the order in which they are placed.

Sale of Stars

The Association will again hold in connection with the sale, the Sale of Stars which originated last year. The bucks and does offered in this Sale of Stars will be donated by the breeders and all the net returns from their

sale will go to a special fund for publicity purposes only.

There will be only one day devoted to the auction sale this year, Saturday, August 4. All bucks and does will sell on that day, the sale starting at 1:00 P. M. with the does selling first and followed by the twenty-five top bucks.

Rocksprings, the Association's host for this year, has been busy for the past several months getting ready for this annual event. Among the many things they have built a new auction arena which is as good as you will find anywhere and ideal for this type of sale.

The coronation, an annual event which attracts large crowds, will be held on Friday night, August 3. Miss Shirley Godbold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Godbold of Leakey, will be crowned Mohair Queen of the world.

In the 1950 show at Kerrville the champions were exhibited by the following breeders: "B" type buck — S. W. Dismukes; "B" type doe — Bobby Sites; "C" type buck and doe — W. S. Orr. The 1950 top selling buck was bred and consigned by Lewis and Godbold and sold for \$270 to Claude Haby and Arthur Davis. C. A. Pepper bred and consigned the doe that sold for the highest price, going to S. F. Lackey for \$135.

In the 1943 show, which was the last show and sale of the Association at Rocksprings, the championships went to the following: "B" type buck — Jack Richardson; "B" type doe — G. A. Bonner; and "C" type buck and doe to W. S. Orr. The top selling buck was Jack Richardson's champion "B" type and sold to M. D. Taylor for \$500.

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PROGRAM TEXAS ANGORA GOAT RAISERS' ASSOCIATION SHOW AND SALE AT ROCKSPRINGS, TEXAS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

3:00 P. M. — Placing Top 25 Sales Bucks by Fred Earwood
8:30 P. M. — Annual Membership Meeting

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

8:00 A. M. — Judging of both types to continue throughout the day.

8:00 P. M. — Coronation of Queen

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

12 Noon — National Farm and Home Hour Broadcast.
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KIMBLE COUNTY AUCTION HAS GOOD FIRST YEAR

On August 16, 1950, Lem and Jack Jones opened the Ranchers' Commission Company in Junction. The modern auction barn is owned and operated by them. Since that time a sale has been held each Wednesday with the exception of four days during the Christmas holidays and due to bad weather.

In the 10 months of operation they have sold:

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70,040 head of sheep and goats	894,390.19
854 head of hogs	22,364.00
160 head of horses	4,000.00
Grand Total	\$1,951,630.25

In addition to this, the Jones brothers have carried on an extensive order buying business, shipping livestock to sellers all over Texas and into eight other states.

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LOMETA COMMISSION CO., Charley Boyd, Mgr., Lometa.....	Sale Friday
MASON SALES CO., Pat Marschall and Clarence Schuesler, Mgrs., Mason.....	Sale Thursday
MIDLAND LIVESTOCK AUCTION CO., Don Estes, Mgr., Midland.....	Sale Thursday
MILLS COUNTY COMMISSION, Malcolm & Sid Jernigan, Mgrs., Goldthwaite.....	Sales Monday, Friday
PRODUCERS LIVESTOCK AUCTION CO., Jack Drake, Mgr., San Angelo.....	Sales Tuesday, Friday
RANCHERS COMMISSION COMPANY, Lem and Jack Jones, Mgrs., Junction.....	Sale Wednesday
SAN ANGELO LIVESTOCK AUCTION CO., J. B. Webster, Mgr., San Angelo.....	Sales Monday, Saturday
UVALDE LIVESTOCK SALES CO., Uvalde.....	Sale Saturday
WEBSTER AUCTION COMPANY, Jimmy Webster, Mgr., Sweetwater.....	Sale Wednesday

The Livestock Auction Companies must be rendering a much needed and desired service — otherwise, WHY ARE THEY GROWING SO RAPIDLY?

ANGORA SALE

(Continued from page 7)

The 1951 annual membership meeting will be held on the first night, Thursday, August 2, at 8:00 P. M. Mr. Arthur F. Leesch, Master of the Texas State Grange of Boerne, Texas, has been invited as the principal speaker at this meeting.

Officers

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1. Only members of this Association may enter animals for sale.
2. Only registered goats may be entered for sale.

3. Entries in this sale shall be open to the world, subject to all rules and regulations of this association.

4. No member may sell more than six head of bucks.

5. Ten per cent commission will be charged on all sales.

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Buck Kid, under one year	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Champion Buck	10.00					
Doe, two years old and over	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Doe, 1 year and under 2	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00
Doe Kid, under one year	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Champion Doe	10.00					
Get-of-Sire — Four goats, one year or over, either sex, bred by exhibitor	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Breeders Flock — Consisting of Buck, any age; Doe, 2 years and over; Yearling Doe and Doe Kid	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
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Buck, two years and over	\$ 5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Buck, 1 year and under 2	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00
Buck Kid, under one year	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Champion Buck	10.00					
Doe, two years old and over	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
Doe, 1 year and under 2	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00
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Buck, four years and under five	12.50					
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Quest of the Silver Fleece

or The Odyssey of John Sherrar Harris

By Courtland Matthews

IN THE ancient city of Constantinople, one January morning in 1876, a Scotch businessman was sitting at his desk in his private office when a servant stepped in and handed him a card. At first he looked at the card casually, then his eyes lighted with surprise as he read the name of a stranger and the name of a land on the other side of the globe — California. Curious, he told the servant to ask the visitor in.

It was an erect, stocky, bearded man of middle age who entered the room somewhat hesitantly, as if he had anticipated the glance that greeted him — a glance more suspicious, he felt, than curious. The caller was painfully conscious of his ragged, dirty clothing; his grimed face and hands; and of the lice that were crawling over him. He imagined that his eyes, which were deep blue, looked bleared after the night he had put through.

What a night! Ashamed to go anywhere else upon his arrival, the evening before, in the Turkish capital — and too nearly penniless to go elsewhere, too — he had taken refuge in a low grade coffee house. There he had satisfied his hunger and had tried to sleep as several Turks about him were sleeping, in a squatting posture. He had dozed fitfully through the long, uncomfortable night. Dawn, fil-

tering into his shabby, smelly surroundings, had never been so welcome.

But this interview with John R. Thompson, the mohair dealer, to which he had looked forward with more confidence than misgivings, was not beginning auspiciously, the traveler reflected, as he stood in his tramp-like clothing before the well-dressed man at the desk.

Then, in a deep voice rich with a Scotch accent, the stranger said, "I suppose you have had advice of my coming from Angora."

Surprised to hear the accent of his own native land, John Thompson said he had received no such advice, and added that it might have been received in another office.

The visitor produced from his pocket several letters, which he handed to the man at the desk, whose attitude toward him, he sensed, was beginning to change.

The mohair dealer could not know that this tattered, begrimed traveler from the other side of the globe was in this year 1876 playing an important part in the development in the United States of an important industry. Yet he obviously recognized that his caller was no tramp.

Thompson examined the address on an envelope. Scrawled in a clear hand it read: "Major P. D. Henderson,

Officer on Special Duty in Cashmere, Srinagar." Printed in Old English, above the address at the right, was the line, "On Her Majesty's Service Only," and in the lower left-hand corner, in italics, "Seey. to Govt., Punjab."

He took out the letter and read:

Murree 17 September, 1875

My Dear Henderson,
I give this letter to Mr. J. S. Harris, a Scotch gentleman who states that he is en route to America to purchase a flock in California and has come to India in order to procure some Cashmere goats for the purpose of improving the California breed. So far as I have the means of judging, Mr. Harris appears deserving of encouragement and assistance in his present undertaking and I, Major Goode, am glad to your coming affords him any assistance in your power. He proceeds to Srinagar I understand tomorrow and is anxious to dispose of his business with as little delay as possible.

Believe me,
Yours very sincerely,
J. N. Thompson.

Major P. D. Henderson

The mohair dealer read another letter. It was from the U. S. consul general at Calcutta to John H. Goode, now, consul general at Constantinople. He read all the letters carefully. Then he looked up and said, "Please sit down, Mr. Harris, and tell me what I can do to help you."

After the visitor had told of his experiences since leaving India, in explanation of his final predicament, Thompson said, "Just be at ease, Mr. Harris, until I can get a ship for you. I'll get you to England, money or no money, be assured."

Then Thompson summoned one of his clerks.

"This is Mr. Harris," he said to the clerk. "He has come here all the way from California, in America, to get some purebred Angora goats. He's had a little hard luck, and I want you to go with him and assist him in getting new clothing. I will personally guarantee payment."

Turning to the traveler, he said, "Call tomorrow, please. Meanwhile, I'll telegraph my agent at Imsid to see well to your goats."

It was only an episode to be dramatized, that interview which took place seventy-five years ago, or so John Sherrar Harris, who died in Salem, Oregon, in 1917, would undoubtedly have thought of it. A modest man, still remembered by a few old-timers in the American Angora goat and mohair industry, to the development of which he contributed so much, Harris had no flair for dramatizing himself or his experiences. When he recalled his odyssey, as he probably never would have termed it, it was like speaking of a business trip he had made to a neighboring state.

Yet to editors of now forgotten agricultural papers and to authors of now forgotten books, Harris wrote interestingly, often colorfully, of his round-the-world quest for purebred fleece-bearing goats with which to improve the quality of American mohair.

Practical though he was, he was also a dreamer — the kind of dreamer who has the daring, resourcefulness, and steadfastness to realize the dream.

John S. Harris had arrived in Constantinople soon after his thirty-ninth birthday and a series of adventures like something out of the imagination of Kipling. But even before he sailed from San Francisco, April 16, 1875, with the Vale of Chasmere as his destination, he had known considerable wandering.

He never talked about his early life, and only once in a great while referred to his early travels, according to one of his daughters, Mrs. Emile Gruber of Salem, Oregon. It is known that he was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, December 22, 1836; that he left home at the age of sixteen, lived awhile in Australia and then in New Zealand; and that in 1862, when he was twenty-five years old, he came to California.

Near Hollister, San Benito county, California, Harris engaged for several years in raising cattle. Then, in the early 'seventies, he became interested in the "Cashmere" goat as the Angora goat was called in those days. (Still new in the United States at the time, this species of fleece-bearing goat had been introduced in 1849 by Dr. James B. Davis of South Carolina, who had brought from Turkey a small flock of Angoras which he had insisted were Cashmeres.) So Harris traded cattle for some seventy-five graded — that is, mixed blood — Angoras, and soon afterward he took on the task of caring for about one-hundred-forty more graded Angoras which belonged to one William Hall, a well-to-do businessman of San Jose.

"I had made up my mind to try and learn something about these goats from headquarters," Harris wrote long afterwards, "and as I had an old schoolmate living in India I wrote to ask him what he knew about the 'Cashmere' goat. He wrote me that it was a long way from where he was (Madras) to Cashmere, but he sent me a sample of their wool which was so beautiful, and fine, that I at once determined to have some of the animals direct from their native home."

Soon after making this decision, Harris went to San Jose to talk over his project with William Hall, and, presumably, to seek his financial support.

The Scotchman was happy to find in Businessman Hall none of the "hard-headness" that implies ossification of the imagination. The Californian listened enthusiastically while Harris outlined his plan. Then Hall assured him that he would not only join him financially in the undertaking, but he also wanted Harris to share in realizing a somewhat grandiose dream of his own.

The San Josean had purchased the flock of Angoras which the Scotchman had been tending as an investment, he explained. He revealed that he was planning to establish an immense Angora goat ranch upon a grant of one million acres of land in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico. He said he was arranging to have title to the grant legally fixed. Admitting that he knew nothing whatever about Angoras, he proposed that Harris, after returning from Cashmere, should become general manager of the great

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John Harris and one of his pureblood Angora goats. Picture taken on Harris' farm, near Oakley, Idaho, probably in late 'eighties or early 'nineties. Rock on which goat stands is tombstone of "Pluck," a racehorse which Harris had brought up from California, and a beloved dog, "Fox" — horse and dog being buried virtually in the same grave.

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THIRD QUARTERLY

Meeting of the Board of Directors

TEXAS SHEEP & GOAT RAISERS' ASSOCIATION

LAMPASAS, TEXAS, JUNE 9, 1951

PRESIDENT RODDIE called the third quarterly directors' meeting to order in the Pavilion, Hancock Park, Lampasas, Texas, at 10:25 a.m.

The Invocation was given by Rev. Haskin V. Little, Rector, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Lampasas, Texas.

The Address of Welcome was given by Dr. W. M. Brook, Lampasas.

W. J. Fields, Jr., Sonora, gave the Response to the Address of Welcome.

The Secretary called the roll and the following directors were present:

Dick Alexander, John Alexander, R. N. Allen, George Beck, Alvis Belcher, Mark L. Browne, John P. Classen, Tom Collins, R. R. Corbett, John L. Crouch, W. T. Cusenberry, D. T. Dickey, W. L. Dickey, O. D. Dickey, Walter G. Downie, Fred T. Earwood, Sayer Farmer, Horace Fawcett, W. J. Fields, Jr., Frank Fulk,

Arthur Henderson, Raymond Hicks, J. Ed Hill, Bryan Hunt, J. B. McCord, E. F. McEntire, P. K. McIntosh, J. O. McLaren, Jimmie Maddox, E. S. Mayer, Penrose Metcalfe, H. C. Noelke, Jr., Oscar Neunhofer, Jim Peril, Rollie Peril, Walter Pfleger, V. I. Pierce, Leonard Proctor, Clayton Puckett.

Walt Reynolds, Frank Roddie, E. G. Sieker, John Sorell, L. M. Stevens, W. T. Stewardson, S. L. Stumberg, Sr., W. R. Stumberg, John Treadwell, R. L. Walker, L. J. Wardlaw, G. R. White, W. J. Wilkinson, Ed Willoughby, Ray Willoughby, Adam Wilson, Jr.

President's Report

The President then gave a brief report on a scabies meeting that was held in Austin in April. He said that we had to have some money and other help there and that several members of the Association met with Roy Loventhal and Duval Davidson of the Livestock Sanitary Commission.

They discussed the appropriation that the Commission had requested and also some additional funds for the purpose of eradication of scabies. He said that he thought everything had worked out well up to now. They had asked for additional inspectors along with the money to finance them. A short meeting was held with the Governor, several of the Senators and Representatives and the Speaker of the House and scabies was discussed from one end to the other. President Roddie said that he thought that they had left the impression with them that we needed the money and a new dip to eradicate scabies.

Metcalfe's Report on Scabies Meet

President Roddie then asked Penrose Metcalfe, Chairman of the Scabies Committee, to report on a meeting in Salt Lake City. The report was as follows:

"Mr. President, Fellow Directors: This committee which was appointed last September and reappointed at the annual meeting to deal with the scabies has had numerous meetings over the states. We have been doing all we can to try to get the head of the situation. The Sanitary Commission was completely out of money and had no traveling expenses to go on from the first of May to the end of the fiscal year. I don't believe they would have gotten any extra if we had not gone to Austin and gotten a bill introduced. There was a meeting in Albuquerque in the middle of May. The committee attended that meeting in Albuquerque and got some valuable information about the use of a new insecticide now being used in the eradication of scabies. The ball was starting to roll. Later a meeting was called of the various sanitary officials of several states and all mem-

CONGRESSMAN POAGE TALKS WITH ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS

—(r. to l.) Congressman Poage was tardy for an appointment in Waco because he made such a hit with the ranchmen during the Directors' meeting at Lampasas. He discussed livestock problems of the industry, especially the Mexican labor situation, and answered the many questions frankly and clearly. At the end of his discussion the ranchmen gave him a standing expression of applause and appreciation. The Association officials in the picture include: Ernest Williams, Secretary; Frank Roddie, president; Penrose Metcalfe, second Vice-President and Chairman of the Sheep Scabies Committee; V. I. Pierce, Director; and Fred Earwood, Director.

RICE TELLS A YARN—Walter Rice, Fort Worth Stock Yards Company, is caught in a discussion at the Directors' meeting at Lampasas. From l. to r. Rex Cusenberry, Sonora; D. A. Price, Ranch Experiment Station, Sonora; Dr. W. T. Hardy, Station Head; Dr. Jack Miller, Head of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Texas A. & M. College; Walter Rice; and George Logan, Agricultural representative of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, Abilene.

A HEARTY WELCOME—Lampasas business men and ranch people greeted the visiting Directors very cordially. (l. to r.) Ranchman J. R. Nance; Warehousemen Omar Brown and Lee Almond; and J. R. Lively.

AT THE WATER TANK—Lampasas weather was a little warmish and a lot of conversation took place around the water tank. (l. to r.) J. B. McCord, Coleman; J. R. Lively, Lampasas; S. W. Dismukes, Rocksprings; J. A. Shelby, Lake Victor; Kyle Oliver, Lampasas; and with the pipe, G. A. Glimp, Burnet.



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DIRECTORS MEET

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was that the U. S. was to assume the obligation of seeing that the Mexican National got into and out of the U. S. and got his pay. You have had to go to one of three cities on the other side, and there are many difficulties to go through in trying to employ someone in Mexico.

Douglas Amendment

The Senate has passed their bill but added to it the Douglas Amendment. The House bill has only come out of the Agricultural Committee. The Douglas Amendment makes it a felony to employ a 'wet-back,' and subjects the employer to a possible \$2,000 fine. It seems to me to be extremely important to have a standardized supply of labor. I am hopeful that we will get a bill, but rather than accept the Douglas Amendment, we must not have anything at all."

Vic Pierce said that the rancher had been using processed men for four or five years, and that under the terms of this new bill they had to get their men out of a pool. When the twelve-month period was up, those men had to go back. He wanted to know if the rancher could reprocess the same men again.

Congressman Poage replied that there was no specific way to get those men back, but that he didn't think that the Mexican Government would force those men to stay in Mexico.

Edwin Mayer asked if there would be no more contracting if a bill was not passed in Congress.

Mr. Poage replied that contracting would stop the first day of July but that by the first of August it might open up again — he didn't know — but that Mexico would have to stop exporting labor for a short while anyway to save face.

Vic Pierce asked that if this bill was killed and we had no bill, could a friendly agreement with the Imm-

igration authorities be made. He said that before we had this processing contract, that was the way it worked.

Mr. Poage replied that that would be the easy way and the most practical for those people close to the border, but that we were faced with the agitation that has broken out over the country — that American policy is determined by what most of the American people want. He believes that we will have legislation on the matter of Mexican Nationals — maybe not this session but within the next year and a half. If the present bill is not passed, radical elements would later force a bill more undesirable than the present one in Congress.

Bryan Hunt asked if the Immigration authorities had the legal right to enter a rancher's property and search for "wet-backs."

Mr. Poage answered that he thought they had.

Congressman Poage was asked if under the new set-up, the prevailing wage would be \$60.00 plus board if the Nationals were processed before the first day of July and he replied that there was no set wage; that the wage scale is different in different parts of the country.

Willoughby Reports Beef Situation

President Roddie then asked Ray Willoughby to report on the beef situation.

Ray Willoughby said that he didn't know anything new to report that hadn't been in the papers. He said that if there were any questions, he would be glad to try to answer them. He said that Congressman Poage was very helpful while they were in Washington and that they think they made a good case. In spite of everything, he thought that the directive and order was going through and that they are going to try it. He said that DiSalle was hard to reason with and that they were determined to go through with this first rollback.

Penrose Metcalfe asked if the authorization under which these rollbacks have been made would expire this month.

Ray Willoughby replied that the authorization would expire June 30 but that they were going to pass a new law — the President was supporting DiSalle one hundred percent.

President Roddie then asked for reports from the standing committees:

Fred Earwood, Wool Marketing Committee, reported that his committee met with the Lamb Committee and that they had written a resolution which included both lamb and wool. He said that Congressman Poage had been most helpful and that the Association should show him their appreciation of what he was doing. He asked for a rising vote of thanks for Congressman Poage, which was immediately given.

Ed Hill, Warehouse and Dues Committee, reported that they had had a good meeting.

Mark Browne, Predatory Animal Committee, reported that they had had a good meeting and that they had passed a resolution which has been turned over to the Secretary.

Other committees, not having any business, did not meet.

The Secretary read the following resolutions:

Resolutions Adopted

1. We, the Directors of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, in regular quarterly meeting in Lampasas, Texas, on June 9, 1951, renew our opposition to and criticism of the manner in which the sheep industry is being treated by the Office of Price Stabilization and hereby adopt the following resolution:

We are of the opinion that the only practical and efficient way to fight further inflationary trends in our economy is through a sound government fiscal program and increased production.

Increased production of vital fibers and meat is the only answer to increased needs of these necessities by the armed forces and civilian population.

Unrealistic regulations and controls imposed upon the sheep industry by the Office of Price Administration and other government agencies during the last war were contributing factors which brought about a reduction in sheep numbers of 44 per cent — a reduction of 22 million head from 1942 to 1951. Prices of wool and lamb were among the first to be frozen and were never changed to meet the increasing costs of production.

Only reasonable incentives are necessary for the industry to increase production — and incentives do not lie in price controls which breed black markets, cause mal-distribution of meat, disrupt meat production, create health hazards through unsanitary practices and lack of inspection, cause loss of by-products including life-saving medicines, divert manpower to an impossible enforcement job, encourage disregard for law and are one more step toward governmental regulation of our entire economy.

It was both an injustice and a disservice to the industry that the Office of Price Stabilization gave no consideration, insofar as we know, to the appointment of a growers' advisory committee but did appoint an advisory committee composed of members of the wool manufacturing industry, and then without notice to the wool producers rolled the price of wool back at least 50 cents a clean pound.

This Association strongly opposes "differential subsidies" and a purchase and resale program with special reference to wool and sincerely urges that they be kept out of any new legislation drafted to replace the expiring sections of the Defense Production Act.

Are the American producers to assume that they are not entitled to the world market price for their product and at the same time be asked to pay for subsidies to the foreign producers of the same commodity?

With the costs of production everywhere in the world below production costs in the United States, how can anyone expect increased domestic production under such treatment?

This can not be considered an incentive for increasing production.

We earnestly recommend that Title IV be stricken from the Defense Production Act.

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When It's Shearing Time in Texas

By Sue Flanagan



TEXAS RANCHMEN know that there are five seasons: winter, spring, SHEARING, summer and fall. During that third season, the ranchman must watch sheep, shearers and shippers and make a general hand out of himself about 18 hours a day — the short days.

He is tired and dirty with whiskers rivaling a light-shrinking 12-month's clip. Things go wrong during shearing. If it ever rains in Texas, it will be just at the time the shearing crew finally gets to the ranch. Then the wind, dust and sun take turns riding herd and sometimes they all roundup together.

Yet — the conglomerate smell of wool, sweat, creosote, smoke, frijoles, and coffee is strangely exciting to

him and keeps him ever alert for a possible breakdown in his assembly lines. He has become an element director who blends the sheep's bleat, the shearing machine's whir, the captain's yell and the Mexicans' voices pitched high over the din into a real West Texas symphony. This seasonal music appeals to everyone. The visitor enjoys it because of the novelty. The ranchman loves it because as a vital part of his industry, he is rewarded with a deep sense of tired achievement. (This year fabulous wool prices have also helped.)

Here is an every day picture story of one of the best cared for wool clips in Texas, that of Bryan Hunt, Sonora.

PANEL 1

SHEEP must be rounded up and penned. These ewes and lambs on the Edwards County ranch of Bryan Hunt are of Earwood breeding. James Hunt, now 19, bought 200 ewe lambs of Earwood breeding from his dad when he was eight years old. He now has 1400 sheep from this original purchase.

LAMBS have been cut out here and the ewes are driven into the shearing pens.

14 DROPS are busy on this machine. Note almost as many workers with brooms as on the drops. Tags are quickly swept up from the shearing floor and kept separate from the fleeces.

SHEARERS average two to three minutes per sheep. Experts, like this one, shear a ewe in one minute. His work is even and the sheep comes out with no battle scars.

PANEL 2

GATHERING fleeces is a special art. Fred Earwood of Sonora is a past master, having supervised the Sonora Wool Show fleeces for 13 years. A particular infold applied to the short wool from the back and to the ragged edge is carefully covered by the long, dense wool from the sides. Note fat sheep. Formula this year was lots of supplementary feeding.

ASSEMBLY LINE — Men must carry the loose fleeces, like these four choice ones, to the tying table before the wool can be sacked. Once a fleece is gathered it cannot be rearranged.

TYING — Another art ably demonstrated by Fred Earwood is tying of a fleece. The object is (1) to hold the wool firmly in place, and (2) to do so without destroying the fluffy appearance. Several show fleeces were selected from the Hunt clip for the Wool Show, June 20 - 21.

GOOD STAPLE — Fred Earwood and Bryan Hunt admire the quality of this show fleece, which weighs 12½ pounds. The overall fleece average on 1400 head was better than 9 pounds. The care and cleanliness observed in preparing this clip was rewarded in the sale. This clip is part of the history-making accumulation which sold for the highest price in Texas this year, \$1.70 per grease pound.

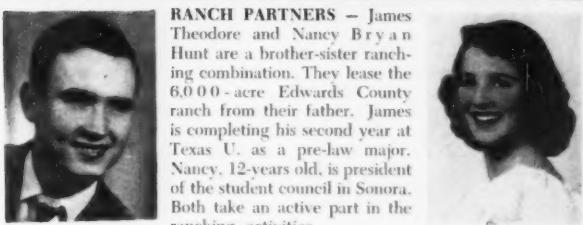
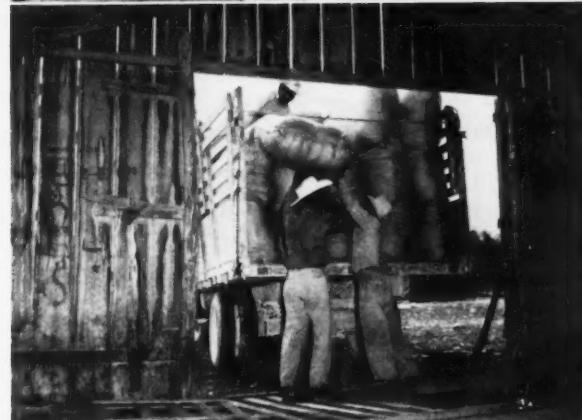
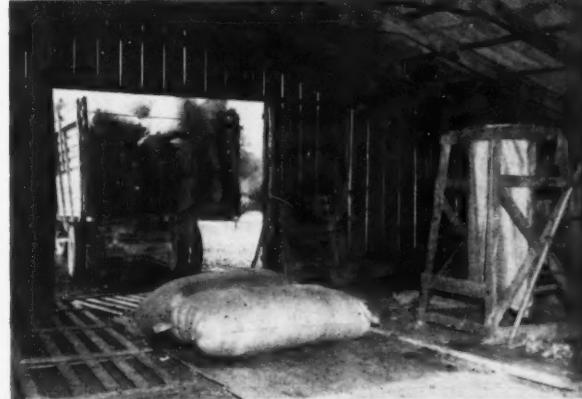
PANEL 3

SACKING is a major operation at the shearing pens. The wool packer must watch the supply of twine and sacks and carefully place the fleeces. Note suspended frame for three bags at a time.

READY TO LOAD — Sacks never touch the ground. Fence panels form a temporary floor for the wool sacks while en route to the trucks. Note tag bag in rack at the right. All tags are kept separately.

ALL ABOARD — A last mighty heave hoists the wool bags to the truck beds for their one way trip to the warehouse.

SPRAYING — These ewes, with a summer bob, are sprayed with DDT as fly insurance, and are now ready for another year.



RANCH PARTNERS — James Theodore and Nancy Bryan Hunt are a brother-sister ranching combination. They lease the 6,000-acre Edwards County ranch from their father. James is completing his second year at Texas U. as a pre-law major. Nancy, 12-years old, is president of the student council in Sonora. Both take an active part in the ranching activities.

Sire Testing Project Completes Third Year

THE OFFICIALS of Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Sonora with the purebred sheep breeders of the Southwest on May 12 met at the station to discuss the third year's work of sheep improvement through the selection of performance-tested and progeny-tested breeding animals. Probably 250 ranchmen gathered to study the sheep in the experimental test and to talk with specialists regarding animal husbandry problems and to neighbor with the fellow ranch people. Dr. W. T. Hardy opened the panel discussion at 1:30. Specialists answering questions asked them included the following:

Dr. R. E. Patterson, Vice-Director, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Vestal Askew, Lamb Buyer, Armour & Co., and rancher.

Leo Richardson, Sheep Breeder and President, American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association.

Dr. B. L. Warwick, Animal Husbandman and Geneticist, Bluebonnet Farm, McGregor, Texas.

O. L. Carpenter, In Charge Feeding Operations, Ranch Experiment Station.

L. B. Merrill, Range Specialist, Ranch Experiment Station.

Dr. D. A. Price, Veterinarian, Ranch Experiment Station.

S. P. Davis, Wool and Mohair Tech., Bluebonnet Farm, McGregor, Tex.

The project is an attempt to answer some of the problems connected with genetics, ranch management, wool production and mohair production. And, as ranchman Leo Richardson remarked during the meeting, "as we turn one corner with the answer to one question, we see four corners and four more questions. Apparently there are just as many questions in the minds of the breeders relative to the progeny test as there were when the first test began — and perhaps more.

While there may not be unanimity on the part of the growers on many of the apparent answers, there seems to be definite agreement among the growers that the progeny test has developed a keener awareness of problems to be studied and conquered and has created also a desire on the part of purebred breeders and others to adopt more careful breeding methods and utilize more of the technical knowledge and resources available.

An outline of the tests and a summary as presented by the station officials is as follows:

The first test (1948-49) included 75 rams entered by 12 breeders of

registered Rambouillet sheep. In the second test (1949-50), 132 rams were entered by 18 breeders. Rambouillet, Delaine-Merino, Corriedale and Debuillet breeds were represented. This, the third test (1950-51), included Rambouillet, Delaine-Merino, Corriedale, Columbia and some cross-bred rams.

All ram lambs were delivered to the Station on or about September 1, 1950. They were shorn, paint branded, dipped and drenched on September 4 and 5. They were weighed on to the feeding trial September 6 and started on a growing ration consisting of equal parts by weight of threshed oats and alfalfa hay. The quantity of feed was increased gradually until the rams were getting all they would clean up. Refused food was weighed back and credited to the rams refusing it.

Twenty-nine sire groups of four rams each were fed in small progeny pens, beginning October 16, when the pens were completed. Prior to that date they were group fed in two large pens. Feed consumption records by sire groups are reported from October 16.

Twenty-six rams were continued on feed in the large pen, receiving a ration of equal parts by weight of oats and alfalfa hay. Another group of 16 rams, which were progeny of the same sires represented in the small pens, were wintered on pasture with the same allowance of oats but without the hay. This pasture group provides a basis for comparison of performance on a liberal feed-lot ration with a more practical wintering ration on the ranch.

The feeding test period closed April 18, when the final weight was taken, making a total of 224 days on feed. The rams were shorn April 19, giving a 226-day growing period. Various body characteristics were evaluated before and after shearing.

The individual fleeces were scoured and spinning counts estimated at

the wool scouring laboratory at Bluebonnet Farm, McGregor, Texas. Grease wool, clean wool and staple length figures were converted from the 226-day period to a 365-day basis.

Body conformation, belly wool and face covering records were obtained by averaging the individual appraisal values given by a committee of four sheepmen as follows:

Body Conformation: Excellent (1), Good (2), Medium (3), Poor (4).

Belly Wool: Dense Covering (1), Medium Covering (2), Poorly Covered (3), Bare (4).

Face covering: Open (1), Medium (2), Covered (3), Wool Blind (4).

Skin fold values represent a total score for each animal based on the number, size and location of skin folds. One person made all determinations.

Considerable variation exists within sire groups and between sire groups in rate of gain, clean wool yield and staple length. Much of this variation is hereditary.

The use of rams whose record of performance is above average should raise the level of production in the flocks where used.

Progeny of certain rams have been consistent in their performance during the three years tests. Likewise progeny of one high testing ram (Station ram 3928 in 1948-49 test) have also performed creditably.

This test affords a means of identifying individuals and families of superior ability which in turn make it possible to do a more constructive job of breeding.

There is evidence that animals which perform well on test will also be good doers on the range.

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					Grease Wt.	Clean Wt.	Staple Length							
RAMBOUILLETS														
Sire 8056; Owner — S. S. Bundy, Roosevelt	4	75	178.8	103.8	816	17.5	8.1	3.73	62's to 70's	2.8	2.8	24 to 47	2.2	
Sire S. H. 6; Owner — E. G. Branch, Rankin	4	69	172.8	103.8	792	16.5	8.4	3.72	62's to 70's	3.0	2.8	22 to 67	3.5	
Sire V. I. P. T. 4460; Owner — F. M. Bierschwale, Segovia	4	76.5	182.8	106.3	870	16.4	6.6	2.97	62's to 64's	2.3	3.5	19 to 32	2.6	
Sire F. M. B. 3551; Owner — F. M. Bierschwale, Segovia	3	82.7	199.3	116.7	824	16.4	7.0	3.50	64's to 70's	2.4	3.4	17 to 23	1.7	
Sire Leo 661; Owner — Leo Richardson, Iraan	4	102.8	191.5	88.8	1022	19.1	9.1	3.56	64's to 70's	2.4	2.7	11 to 46	2.9	
Sire 2333; Owner — Leo Richardson, Iraan	3	82.0	198.7	116.7	804	15.9	7.5	3.30	70's	2.2	3.6	16 to 22	2.1	
Sire BFB-134; Owner — B. F. Bridges, Bronte	4	72.0	186.8	114.8	797	15.9	6.8	3.30	64's to 70's	1.9	2.9	17 to 33	3.2	
Sire R.R.-389; Owner — John Williams, Eldorado	4	105.3	212	106.8	933	21.5	9.4	3.33	64's to 80's	2.4	2.4	42 to 68	2.7	
Sire J. W.-3982; Owner — Pat Rose, Jr., Del Rio	4	106.5	217	112.5	888	21.2	9.7	3.65	64's to 70's	2.0	2.0	30 to 67	2.1	
Sire J. K. M.-2273; Owner — Pat Rose, Jr., Del Rio	4	75.5	198.3	122.8	733	19.9	9.4	3.94	62's to 70's	2.1	2.3	31 to 60	2.0	
Sire 4359; Owner — Wallace Hendricks, San Angelo	4	96.5	198	106.5	984	17.8	8.1	2.98	64's to 70's	2.0	2.9	25 to 53	3.0	
Sire L. L. R.-24; Owner — R. Q. Landers, Menard	4	90.5	194.8	103.8	986	19.1	7.8	3.11	64's to 70's	2.2	2.6	30 to 57	2.4	

No. Rams	Initial Wt. 9-6-50	Final Wt. 4-18-51	Total Gain	Feed Per 100 Pounds Gain	Fleece Record 365 Days									
					Grease Wt.	Clean Wt.	Staple Length	Spinning Count	Body Cont.	Belly Wool	Skin Fold	Face Covering		
Sire R-230; Owner — R. Q. Landers, Menard	4	88.3	190.8	102.5	941	15.9	7.5	3.53	64's to 70's	2.2	3.0	21 to 52	1.9	
Sire E. O. 221; Owner — Noelke and Owens, Sheffield	4	92.5	198	105.5	837	16.5	7.9	3.24	64's to 70's	2.6	2.6	17 to 40	2.8	
Sire VIP-T 4232; Owner — V. I. Pierce, Ozona	4	91.5	200.3	108.8	888	18.6	9.1	3.43	64's	2.5	2.4	32 to 50	3.1	
Sire US 1479; Owner — Substation 14, Sonora	4	82.3	199.5	117.3	834	19.9	8.1	3.08	62's to 70's	2.7	2.4	42 to 112	2.9	
Sire 3928; Owner — Substation 14, Sonora	4	78.8	203.3	124.5	778	19.1	9.1	3.56	64's to 70's	2.5	2.2	45 to 80	2.4	
Sire US 1756; Owner — Substation 14, Sonora	4	68.8	187.5	116.3	758	18.3	7.8	3.38	62's	2.3	2.5	41 to 56	3.0	
Sire 3986; Owner — Substation 14, Sonora	4	74.5	183.5	109.0	758	17.2	6.8	3.08	62's to 70's	2.6	2.7	36 to 112	3.1	
Sire R241; Owner — Substation 14, Sonora	4	82	201	119.0	841	19.8	8.3	2.73	62's to 64's	2.5	2.2	74 to 85	3.1	
Sire W. L. D. 242; Owner — W. L. Davis, Sonora	4	78.8	202.3	123.5	770	18.5	7.3	3.01	62's to 70's	2.2	2.6	36 to 64	2.6	
Aver. all Rambouilletts, 110.8						8.1	3.34							
RAMBOUILLETS — GROUP FED LARGE PEN														
Sire J. K. M.-2273-N; Owner — Pat Rose, Jr.	4	83.8	181.8	98.0	14.6	7.1	3.27	80's	2.3	2.5	31 to 44	3.7		
Sire 1479; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	4	78.5	199.5	121.0	18.0	8.4	3.43	64's to 70's	2.2	2.4	40 to 66	2.8		
Sire 3928; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	4	76.3	206.5	130.3	18.1	8.4	3.31	62's to 70's	2.2	2.7	31 to 68	2.9		
Aver. all Rambouilletts, Group fed in large pen				116.4		8.0	3.33							
CORRIEDALES — INDIVIDUAL PEN FED														
Sire SLS 221; Owner — Truett Stanford, Eldorado	4	76.0	184.0	108.0	784	18.3	9.6	4.27	50's	1.6	2.1	12 to 32	1.4	
Sire 1062; Owner — Noelke and Owens, Sheffield	4	69.5	180.0	110.5	768	16.4	9.1	4.79	50's to 58's	2.2	2.5	4 to 15	1.2	
Sire 1005; Owner — Noelke and Owens, Sheffield	4	67.5	171.8	104.3	795	19.4	10.9	4.91	50's to 60's	2.2	2.1	13 to 45	1.3	
Aver. all Corriedales				107.6		9.8	4.65							
COLUMBIAS — INDIVIDUAL PEN FED														
Sire C-649; Owner — L. A. Norden, San Antonio	4	78.3	188.8	110.5	819	14.9	8.3	4.69	50's to 56's	1.6	3.8	4 to 13	1.0	
Sire C-701; Owner — L. A. Norden, San Antonio	4	83.8	199.5	115.8	906	19.6	10.5	5.11	50's to 58's	2.3	3.6	6 to 15	1.0	
Aver. Columbias, Individual Pen Fed				113.2		9.4	4.90							
COLUMBIAS — LARGE PEN FED														
Sire C-640; Owner — L. A. Norden, San Antonio	4	74.8	176.0	121.3	16.5	9.7	4.15	50's to 56's	1.6	3.1	13 to 19	1.0		
Aver. all Columbias				115.9		9.5	4.65							
DELAINES — INDIVIDUAL PEN FED														
Sire 3120; Owner — H. C. and G. H. Johanson, Brady	4	63.0	161.5	98.5	873	18.6	6.3	3.19	64's to 80's	2.7	2.5	26 to 39	2.0	
Sire 8-B1; Owner — Van Brown, Harper, Texas	4	68.8	91.8	873	19.8	10.4	4.08			3.1	1.4	47 to 75	1.3	
CROSS-BREDS — LARGE PEN FED (15-16 RAMBOUILLET: 1-16 ROMNEL) (BACK CROSS)														
Sire 1717; Owner — Bluebonnet Farms, Sheffield	8	64.4	156.5	89.9	13.4	6.2	3.23	70's to 80's	2.6	3.0	21 to 37	2.1		
Sire 1062; Owner — Noelke and Owens, Sheffield	1	72	176	104	12.6	7.5	3.90	50's	1.5	2.2	16	1.0		
Sire 1005; Owner — Noelke and Owens, Sheffield	1	81	201	120	13.9	7.0	3.75	58's	1.2	2.7	9	1.0		
RAMBOUILLETS — PASTURE FED														
Sire 1479; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	5	76.8	162.2	85.4	15.2	7.3	3.51	62's to 70's	3.1	2.2	26 to 94	2.8		
Sire 3928; Owner — Substation 14, Sonora	5	73.0	159.2	86.2	13.9	6.3	3.12	64's to 80's	1.7	2.9	22 to 46	2.0		
Sire 3939; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	2	71.5	148.5	77.0	12.5	5.8	3.06	70's	3.0	3.1	15 to 63	3.2		
Sire U. S. 1756; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	1	57	133	76	12.5	5.7	2.83	70's	3.2	2.2	26	4.0		
Sire R-241; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	2	80	173.5	93.5	17.0	6.8	2.69	64's	2.8	2.1	42 to 99	3.0		
Aver. Pasture-fed Rambouilletts				85.0		6.6	3.17							
CROSSBREDS — PASTURE FED														
Sire 18; Owner — Substation No. 14, Sonora	1	74	160	86	15.7	6.8	2.95	64's	2.8	2.5	52	2.7		
LARGE PEN — 26 HEAD														
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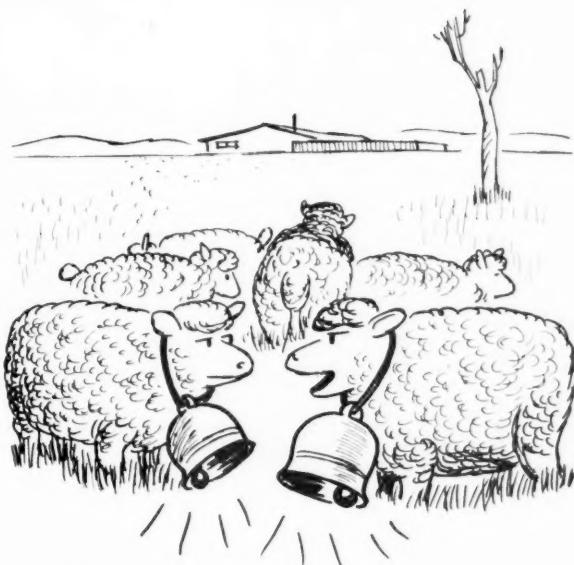
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HEALTH A PROBLEM IN PROGENY TEST WORK

By Donald A. Price, DVM

AT THE beginning of the progeny test, all animals involved are necessarily handled many times in order to accomplish the weighing, classification, shearing, drenching, etc. As a result of so much handling, some subsequent sickness is inevitable and of course accounts for the three losses from pneumonia during the first month. Only one other type of illness interfered with the test; viz., a stiffness of sheep which responded to one of the wonder-drugs in such a manner that illness in none of the affected animals lasted for more than five days. It can be concluded that sickness interfered only slightly with the test. Needless to say, the close attention given these animals by the husbandman in charge no doubt assured that minor digestive up-sets did not develop into serious illnesses.

These sheep have been kept for many months under the adverse conditions associated with close confinement. Under such conditions, pens accumulate filth rapidly, water supplies are readily contaminated, and contagious diseases are easily transferred from one animal to another. Close attention to principles of animal hygiene help to prevent undue trouble. Clean, fresh, palatable water must be provided at all times. Rations must be placed in troughs or racks of such construction and location that the food materials will not be contaminated by the introduction of manure.

All waste material should be removed from the pens as often as practical. Visibly sick animals should be removed immediately from the pens and not returned until it has been determined that a contagious disease is not involved.

EARWOOD AND PUCKETT HONORED

TWO FORMER presidents of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, Fred Earwood of Sonora and Clayton Puckett of Fort Stockton, were among the finalists for the Texas Research Foundation \$5,000 Hoblitzelle Achievement award. The award is given for outstanding service in advancing Texas rural life.

Winner this year was Russell N. Cash of Atlanta. He won for his demonstrated use of scientific methods in producing fabulous yields on 44 worn out acres in his community. The award was presented to Cash May 16 in Dallas.

L. J. Luedcke, Rambouillet Breeder from Austin, annually gives some \$600.00 worth of prizes to the boys and girls entering the Travis County Livestock Show. In previous years the awards have been placed on fat stock, but at Georgetown, May 18, Luedcke said he was considering placing the award on breeding stock in future shows.

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Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By Sheep and Goat Raiser Chicago Bureau

TO EMPLOY prize fight parlance the problem now before cattle graziers and finishers is how best to ride the rolls swung by DiSalle's rollbacks. One punch came June 4, from which the industry is just starting to get its "legs" and now we have it straight from the price stabilizer's corner, even from the President by inference, that two more heavy swings are sure to come August 1 and October 1. Whether the general attitude is defeatist or not, everyone grazing, finishing or slaughtering cattle now accepts controls as a surety.

Not only that, but as a part of the general program, dollar and cent ceilings are due soon on dressed veal and calf. As in steers this will put a practical top on vealers and killing calves. Lamb and mutton is next in order, but there is some doubt this later directive can be master-minded this year because of the wool angle. Don't figure too strongly on this delay, however, because wool and wool pelts are "frozen" as of January or thereabouts, so an order muddling dressed products and valuable wool by-products all together may be brewed faster and sooner than sheepmen had believed.

And if hogs temporarily go above parity on the spring advance, there might be something doing on the pork score. Maybe parity will be frozen, as has been suggested. The main problem in hogs is to achieve prices as near the generally accepted measuring price-stick figured from month to month, for a bigger run of spring pigs will be due early this fall. Meanwhile, some believe, light hogs will sell as high as \$25.00 during the next few

weeks, the top at Chicago having already gone to \$23.25. Current prices are best since early in the year. Killers have enjoyed big "cut-out" profits for weeks on end. In the industry itself the next major movement will be sharp seasonal expansion in the sow run.

Of course, cattlemen wanting replacements now and later, as well as rangemen who have the cattle to sell, are wondering. One looks at the other, and no one knows what to do — i.e. prospective buyers can't figure what to pay and ranchers how much to ask. Some have already said \$35.00 down on calves, \$30.00 on yearlings and light feeder steers, and then on down to \$25.00 for cattle with weight. A few strings of light Texas bred calves and steers have been running here to go back at \$32.00 to 35.50, even as high as \$37.00.

But now the likelihood of two more rollbacks seem more certain, and the picture has changed for both ranchers and finishers. How extensively the West and Southwest will carry calves and yearlings over the winter is bothering the cornbelt as well as big commercial finishers from coast to coast. Naturally the range is trying to figure out finishers' demand under unpopular controls, knowing all the while that many finishers will now sell what they have on feed — and quit, or at least cut down. Naturally the extent of this abridgement will create the archstone in the grass cattle market this summer and fall. DiSalle's office says everything will come out all right, but DiSalle himself while at Chicago hesitated

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Rustler from The Sky

By Adam Wilson, III

HE PACKS no gun — he wears no mask — he rides not a galloping mustang. No wheeled vehicle, or fence-cutting implement is needed for this learned rustler, who dives from the blue to make a successful steal.

Heavily armed, though, he is! Born equipped with eight, long, curved, dagger-sharp talons, and one huge hooked beak — all capable of ripping flesh and muscle from the bones of any target which he might select for his villainous attack. Two ultra-powerful wings propel his streamlined fuselage to the area where his unsuspecting victim peacefully roams. Once sighted, the marked unfortunate one is swiftly seized and swished skyward in a perfect getaway.

That's the great American and/or Mexican eagle! Truly, one of the shrewdest rustlers in operation today. Whether he be American or Mexican, nationality makes no difference, he is a bad actor once he gets a taste of prime and tender chops of young livestock and game animals. Age and size of game birds — even a mature wild turkey — is immaterial to the winged raider. Sending a rifle bullet, or charge of heavy shot, into his anatomy seems to be the surest way of curbing his expensive appetite.

Non-producers of the nation's wool and meat, and uninterested citizens in the welfare of our wild game, often become horrified and shocked when they hear of the regular executions by western ranchers of the bird which was chosen back in 1782 for the Great Seal of the United States. In regard to that matter, I must add these few words: No more patriotic people exist than those living in the livestock and wild game raising regions of the United States. Generally speaking, many ways, means, and customs of the old pioneers are retained among the western citizenry whose livelihood is directly dependent upon the turf and forked hoof, the wild horned and the feathered. In the great majority of cases the early ranchers and lovers of wild life strived toward their goals in life along a honest trail — dealt sternly, with little fanfare, with he who committed a serious misdeed. Early cattle rustlers pursuing their chosen sideline (usually) profession paid dearly, on the spot, when caught with the goods — no matter what his present or former rank, or what honorary position he might have openly held. Our winged rustler of today, too, must pay for his wrongful deeds, on the spot, when and if caught with the goods. True, he ranks high: The undisputed king of the sky — the ruler of the air! Certainly, having one's profile appear on important U. S. treaties, commissions, and the like.

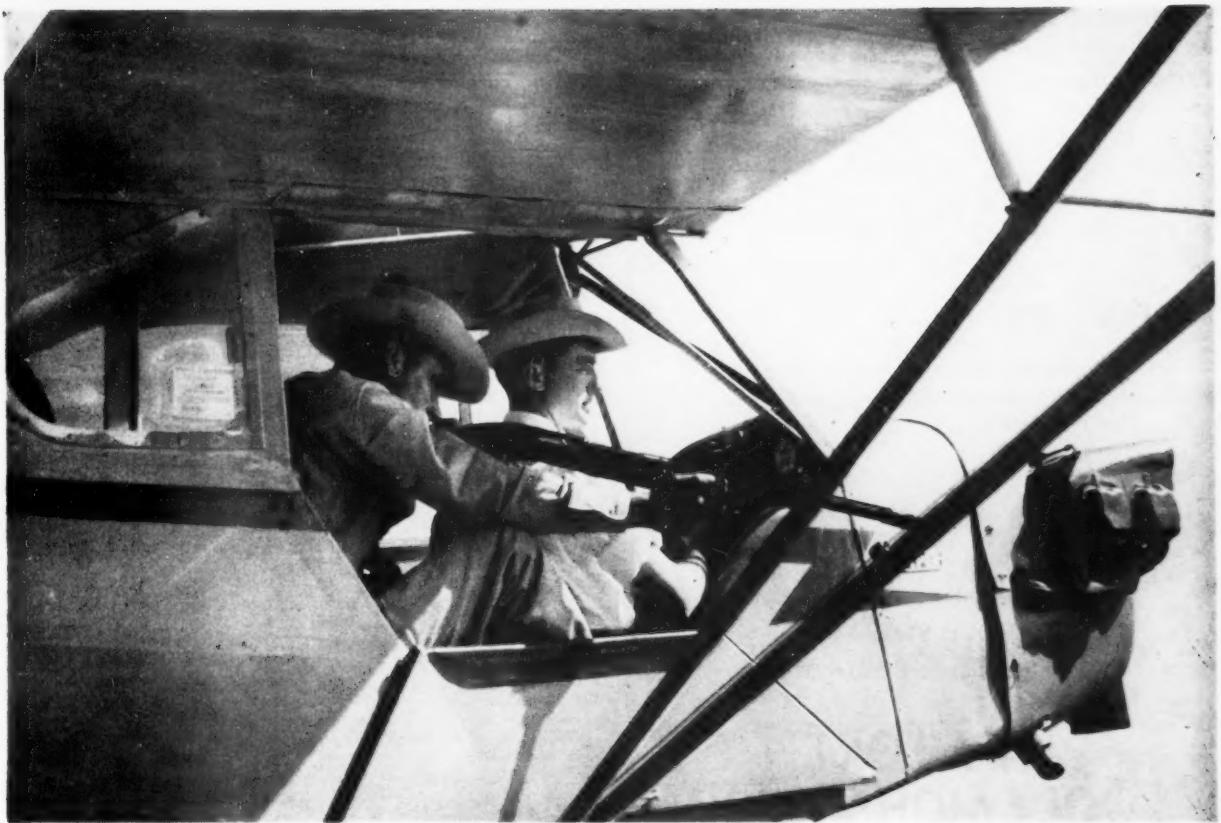
bearing the President's signature is no minor honor for bird, beast, or man.

I am glad that it is the Mexican, or Golden, eagle — if it must be one or the other — which is the most frequent unwelcome visitor to our ranges and forests. It is the all-over dirty-brown colored specie which has for hundreds of years been a symbol in Russia, the Prussian Empire Empire, Napoleonic France, and the Austrian Empire, and of dictatorships and tyrannies dating back to Assyria. Also, the Mexican bird is slightly smaller than the majestic old American baldy.

Texans have always been aware of the eagle's presence and of his occasional raids, and even as all Americans, conscious of his speed, power, and sight, held considerable admiration for this monarch of sky and ledge. Not until recent years has the eagle made himself a genuine menace and serious subject of stockmen's and game conservationist's conversations.

What about this big diurnal bird — its character, home life, habits, and behaviour — which commands so much respect, and can cause so much disturbance when it so desires? He is very noble in appearance. Webster must have had a very close observer, for from his thick word book comes: ". . . birds of prey of the falcon family, noted for their strength, graceful figure, keenness of vision, and powers of flight." When sighted on a towering perch against a background of blue, one's pulse cannot help but quicken. Stately and statuesque, he presents a magnificent picture. Eagles mate for life, living in ardent and savage devotion, until death does part them. Hot and fiery courtship begins in the fall and lasts until spring. Two eggs (rarely three) appear in the huge nests built on a lofty ledge or in a tall tree. If not disturbed or destroyed, the same nests are used year after year, and are repaired and tidied annually before the eggs are deposited. Incubation takes five weeks. Once a widower finds a new mate, he will bring her back to the old home place.

The mature eagle's wings spread from seven to nine feet, and are geared to a fourteen to nineteen-pound body, which provides reason for his tremendous strength and lifting power. He has been known to have flown away with a six-foot cedar post (diameter not known) chained to a steel trap which gripped his foot. Master of flight, he has been sighted by observers from aircraft near the 10,000 foot mark. Hunters in planes have chased him up to 5,000 feet; and, incidentally, if the old boy can shake his pursuers at that altitude, he holds back his wings, noses down until his blue feathers brush the weed tops.



Such maneuvering usually bring forth freedom — at least for the time being.

It is not always that the eagle carries away his food after capture. Unless disturbed, or if seeking nourishment for a setting mate or young, he will eat his meal at the spot where his victim felt the last twitches of life torn from its body. From an authoritative source, I have been told that if an animal gives him too much trouble he will sink deep the murderous talons, lift the helpless form a few hundred feet above the ground, release his grip and let it tumble to a dead "plop" below.

Like all earthly creatures, the eagle

was placed here with a definite purpose — in his case, to cull from the bird and animal kingdom the poor, weak, and sickly. In order not to be completely out of line with the ways of the rest of the world's inhabitants, he occasionally — sometimes often, as is true presently — branches away from his assigned duties.

In the past years, ranch and game preserve owners here in the Hill Country of Texas have seldom been bothered by the raider — that is, to the point that he should be placed on the WANTED list. Today, in the lambing, calving, and fawning season, especially, he is the most de-

The "Flying shotgun method" is the surest and quickest way of controlling the shrewdest of rustlers from the sky. Veteran Pilot, Allie B. Burton, Jr., handles the controls of the light plane while the author takes the gunner's position.

structive predator, and most sought after target by range-riding gunners. Heavy bounties have been placed on his head in many sections.

Aside from finding him an irresistible target on various big game hunting trips, the eagle was, more or less, a stranger to me. Probably half a dozen fell to some of the long range slugs which I threw in his direction.

In 1945, after a successful antelope hunt, I accompanied a pilot-friend on a eagle-hawk shooting flight in his plane. Old "hook-bill" was still just an exciting target — this time, however, on the wing from the wing! The trip was an immensely interesting one and a spine-tingler to me, being my first venture into that phase of the
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RUSTLERS

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shooting game. Years of experience of predator shooting from aircraft—8,000 hours to his credit at that time—had taught my friend that a gunner was just additional expense and excess weight, as one can learn to do both piloting and shooting.

"When I first started this business, I hired a gunner, but it seemed he was never ready when I'd kick the crate around into position; or, when he was ready, I wouldn't be in position or have the bird in range," commented the old veteran pilot, as he pulled the ship's throbbing nose above the horizon, gaining altitude from a kill.

"I decided to do both myself after making too many fruitless runs. It ain't always easy, though, on gusty days and having to rock wing tips out of reach of cliffs and ledges," he added, as a pinnacle-like boulder seemed to have ducked our landing gear just in time, as we swept over.

It seemed so easy, however, for him. I found out later that there is much art and science in tumbling the big birds out of the clouds consistently from a plane. "It ain't always easy . . .," said he, and how right he was!

It was not amusing in the least the next occasion I had to learn more about Mr. Eagle. A trip over in my sheep pasture this spring revealed numerous lamb carcasses lying about with their skins ripped, flesh peeled out, bones crushed; ewes without their young wandered here and there, bleating and searching. Sheepless pastures were also carcass strewn—showing that the lambs had been carried over a seven-foot, net-wire fence. Didn't look good, to be sure, and no tracks or tooth marks. No sign indicating the kills were made by range bandits with which I was familiar. Hm-m-m. Then! There I saw the bits of evidence that solved the wilderness murders. A long brown feather lay near a slab of kinky woolled skin. My eyes instinctively turned skyward.

No, the guilty one was not twirling a gold watch chain, with a smug expression on his face, like a back-in-town two-legged rustler. He was soaring around with about one thousand altitude, eyeing me at the safe dis-

tance. Although appearing no larger than a sparrow hawk, I could not resist pumping six .45 pistol slugs into the air surrounding the sky devil. All went on harmless missions, however, as one might expect when sending them from a five-inch barrel at the approximate 300-yard range. The snow-hooded rascal merely flapped his giant wings a few times, then peeled off and disappeared over a mountain.

Before I realized what was going on or could do anything about it, eagles had wiped out nearly 40 percent of my lamb crop -- and they were selling at those record-breaking prices, too. Word soon came that my neighbors were being pestered by the predators. A local war was immediately declared on them. A few of the rustlers met disaster from rifle bullets, a few number took a fatal step into steel traps. One or two permitted themselves to be stalked within handgun range.

Many near-hits by man and his bang-stick put more caution into the the borned wary critters. As has been practiced for a number of years in areas more heavily populated by destructive eagles, an airplane and a sawed-off shotgun was put into service.

Now, the use of planes has been universally accepted as the only sure-fire method of controlling the big, smart birds. Not only is the winged approach the most productive; it is an immeasurable amount of sport for those characters who love to burn gun powder and thrill to adventures in the "wild blue yonder".

Since I had brought down buzzards, large hawks, ducks, et cetera, with No. four and No. six shot, fifty rounds of No. six's -- as I desired a dense pattern -- accompanied me on my first flying predator hunt as a gunner. I blazed away over three counties that afternoon at swerving, diving, and climbing targets. When my auto-loader ejected the 50th smoking hull, I had accounted for only six birds. The use of the small shot was like sending a boy on a man's errand, but I could not blame my load entirely for the shockingly low average. My amateur standing at this type of aerial gunnery was quite evident. "It ain't always easy . . .," I remembered.

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practice. The plane, for best results, should not cruise over 100 miles per hour, as a faster one tends to over-run the target before a gunner can deliver his shot effectively. The door on the gunner's side should be either tied open or removed, so as to give ample freedom for the gun muzzle. Safety belts should be removed in order to allow plenty of room for the gunnerman's maneuvering with arm and ammunition, and without interfering with the pilot's responsibilities.

Army and Navy training type of planes with open cockpits or sliding canopies, can, and are, used; but since these types usually have a low wing and more speed, approach to the target must be made from below — bringing it into focus a little above head-on. Unless a very skillful pilot commands the controls, the angle at which the bird is often taken permits the falling carcass to drift back into the propeller. Forced landings, especially over rough terrain, seldom add wanted thrills to an air trip; therefore, kills at dangerous angles should by all means be avoided.

I prefer the auto-loading scattergun with open bore, while the pump-action is very efficient in the hands of a capable shot-gunner. Long barrels are extremely awkward in a plane cabin or cockpit; for that reason, the tube should not exceed 20-22 inches (not less than 20 inches, according to law). Open bore is generally favored by all aerial gunners. Shortening of stocks helps, too, in the weapons maneuverability. Various types of gun mounts have been made and attached to the plane, but the old out-the-door method pays off very nicely for seasonal shooters.

Size of shot should be determined according to the targets which are expected to be encountered. If eagles are the sole aim, the smaller size buckshot are the better performers, as the larger balls spread a thin pattern — often so scattered are the big bucks that a large bird can pass through them without ruffling a feather. Because of the limited number of buckshots that can be loaded into a shell, some shooters choose B-B's or No. 2's. The only objection I have to the smaller shot, is that a pellet must strike a very vital spot to inflict a fatal wound. Normally, only one or

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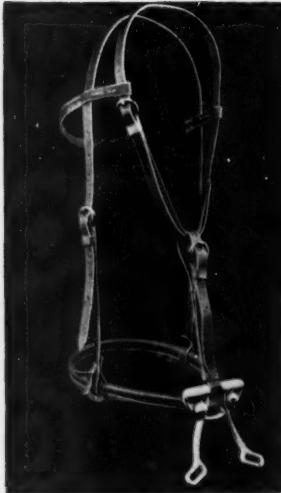
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to tell finishers what they should pay for replacements. One of his aids suggested \$28.00 down. There was general laughter and some boos.

Currently, the country plans to make everything as choice as possible. There are few "cheap" beef cuts in retail stores, everything being good, choice and prime to the worming of folks wanting hamburger. So the country will make their cattle mesh with the way killers are merchandizing beef. During the second week in June less than one percent of steers at Chicago graded so-called "utility", while nearly 20 percent landed in the prime grade, to top at \$39.00, with numerous loads at \$38.00 to \$38.75, a weekly average at \$36.00 and prime fed heifers as high as \$38.65.

So few steers under \$32.00 makes it tough to buy local replacements, but that's the way it's going to be for awhile, at least. Pastures, big and small, are well loaded, and, weather permitting, these cattle will become fat. One and all with well conditioned steers eating \$1.75 corn will try to get under the wire before the August 1 rollback. And those who bought feeders around and after January 1 will "cheapen" these as much on grass as possible, or else accept a stiff loss. Plain and medium steers are a mile off shore in so far as OPS compliance is concerned. Naturally more such cattle will have to run from now on, but no doubt graziers and short-term finishers will be as deft as possible in minimizing the supply. Beef cows at \$25.00 up to \$31.00 are much more nearly in tune with intricate control data as are canners and cutters at \$19.50 to \$24.00.

Both a little punch drunk as July approached, buyers wanting cattle and sellers having cattle to sell directly or by contract, will have to get together somehow, somehow. That the combolt will have trouble buying rangers so as to assure a feeding margin is taken for granted. The Northwest and probably the Southwest may be able to do better by dealing with intermountain and west coast finishers. For under the DiSalle setup west

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coast and big southern markets such as New Orleans gets a big advantage over Chicago by way of freight differential allowances figured against the key stations of Omaha and Denver. Southern killers, including custom killers, have been well provided with grader.

Big killers bought many more steers and other cattle the second week after the June 4 rollback than during the first week, the idea no doubt being to let receipts more nearly approach normal on one hand while excessive buying by eastern and small killers early in the program threw latter interests out of the market until a new quota period arrived. Hence predictions that the big killers stand a chance to reap a good profit on every steer they buy late in the period — some shout as much as \$25.00 per head — are understandable but, of course, possible only in the event of sizable receipts.

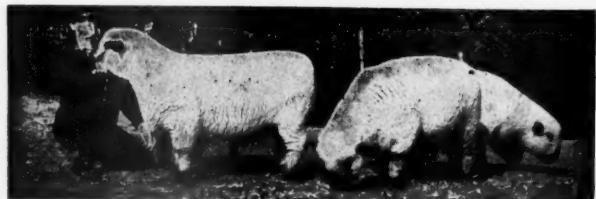
Texas sheep and lambs are coming to a close but genuine Idahos and southerns are expanding. The drought thinned 50 to 75 percent of the southwest crop to replacement flesh, and a good many Texas shorn lambs and yearlings have already been well marketed at Chicago and St. Louis out of Indiana and Illinois. To date there have been few killer complaints about lamb versus yearling wether compulsory grading but a stamp on yearlings saying "yearling mutton", is not regarded in the trade as quite fair.

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Now that the San Angelo Rambouillet Ram Sale is coming up you will find Harry watching very closely and tending carefully more than a dozen of his ram lambs, some of which he is planning to bring to the sale. They will be yearlings or thereabout at sale time, and even though the drought has made the going tough this year the sheep will be in fair shape and excellent quality.

This will mark the fifth consecutive year that Harry has consigned sheep to the San Angelo sale, and every year he has done well in the sale. His average price is in the upper half with the top breeders of the Rambouillet breed. Last year one of his studs brought \$300 and a pen \$125 each.

Harry owns a registered Rambouillet flock started with a dozen Rambouillet ewe lambs from Crockett County's famous Owen's breeding. These ewe lambs were topped by a Sims ram which produced very well. Additional registered ewes were purchased out of another top Crockett County flock, that of Buster Miller. Top studs of Leo Richardson, Buster Miller, Claude Owens and R. O. Sheffield have been purchased round-

ing out what is considered to be one of the quality flocks of the breed.

"Those sheep are Harry's, they are not mine, although he is getting so many I am either going to have to get me more range or cut down on my sheep or cut down on his," recently asserted Harry's father. "Harry is sure getting a lot of registered sheep."

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**Corriedale Sale To Be
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THE FIFTH Annual Corriedale Show and Sale will be held at Greeley, Colorado, on July 24, 1951. According to Rollo E. Singleton, Secretary of the American Corriedale Association and manager for this sale, preliminary entries indicate that there will be over 100 head of top quality Corriedales consigned to the Sale and that they will originate from points throughout the United States. Animals will be also consigned from Australia. J. W. Moodie, Victoria, Australia, is consigning three of his top quality stud rams. Approximately two-thirds of the consignments will consist of yearling ewes and one-third will be rams, of which most are yearling. Sheep will be sent from Wyoming, Iowa, Michigan, Texas, Ohio, Missouri, Oregon, and California, as well as from Colorado and Australia.

Mr. Moodie of Victoria, Australia, has indicated that he may attend the sale, in addition to making a consignment of sheep.

The Corriedale is truly an international breed, and in addition to J. W. Moodie, Jimmy Little of Hui Hui, Hawarden, New Zealand, and Byron Hawtrowe of the Shades, Kaikoura, New Zealand, have indicated an interest in consigning to the sale. G. B. Mc-

Creadie of New Zealand plans to attend the sale, but will have no consignment of sheep entered.

Corriedale breeders in the United States, as well as in other sections of the world, became more global minded last fall at the time of the World Wide Type Conference of Corriedales held at Christchurch, New Zealand. Mr. and Mrs. Art King and Jerry King of Cheyenne, Wyoming, attended the Conference and purchased some sheep. In the "Pastoral Review", a leading agricultural magazine of Australia, was recently carried an article by Crossly entitled, "A Trip Through New Zealand". Crossly has the following to say about the flock from which the Kings are importing their sheep:

"We saw a number of rams of Hui Hui blood, including some of the sires reserved for progeny testing that were indeed a handsome lot, and the wool on those handled left nothing to be desired in strength, character, color and length of staple. One ram in particular from the sale draft was of outstanding type, with soft beautiful wool of great character and nice strength. We learned that he had been purchased by Art King for his stud at Cheyenne, Wyoming, U. S. A.,

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and he should do that flock a power of good."

Wesley Wooden of Davis, California recently made a sizeable importation of Corriedales from the Hawthorn stud of John E. Bligh, Brookstead, Queensland, that is believed to be the first shipment of stud sheep ever sent overseas from Queensland, Australia. Wooden has one of the outstanding Corriedale flocks in the United States and while none of his imported sheep will be in the Greeley Sale, he doubtless will be represented with some of his own breeding.

Ernest and Donald Ramstetter of Golden, Colorado, have made several importations of top quality Corriedales, the most recent importation being last fall when some 100 head were brought in from the flock of Senator Guthrie, Geelong, Victoria, Australia.

TEXAS CORRIE DALE BREEDERS PLAN TOP SALE AT FREDERICKSBURG

THE FOURTH Annual Texas Corriedale ram sale is announced for Fredericksburg, August 9, 1951, by H. C. Noelke, President of the Texas Association. All consignments are due to arrive at Fredericksburg Fair Grounds by 1 o'clock Wednesday, 8th of August. The show is scheduled for the morning of the 9th and the sale for the afternoon.

Mr. Noelke believes that the top quality stud rams scheduled for the sale will be as good as have ever been offered in Texas and in addition there will be registered ewes, purebred and registered rams offered the buyers. It is planned to have 125 head of excellent quality Corriedales at this sale.

Mr. Noelke points out that Delaine breeders interested in cross-breeding

The Corriedale is expanding rapidly in numbers throughout the United States. Registrations last year were made at the highest rate in the history of the breed. Moreover, Corriedale registrations in 1950 were increased above the total of any previous year by an amount greater than that of any other breed of sheep in the United States. On a world basis Corriedales are second in numbers only to Merino. Their steadily increasing popularity is due to the fact that they have a heavy fleece of excellent character and quality that returns more dollars per animal than does that from any other breed. At the same time, lambs are growthy and of good mutton type that top the market at an early age insuring the producer a maximum return on his investment.

extra pounds on a lamb and the longer staple wool which will grade fine will continue to attract attention and make the growers a profit. He points out that the Corriedale breed is adaptable to any climatic condition and will continue to play a large part in supplying essential meat and wool for the nation.

All the Corriedale sheep offered in the sale at Fredericksburg already have been acclimated and are in top condition for immediate use on Texas ranges.

The annual meeting of the Texas Corriedale Sheep Breeders Association will be held the night of the 8th at the Nimitz Hotel. H. C. Noelke will preside at the meeting and Miss Abie Kinnison will be secretary.

WOOL MILL EXPANSION UNDER WAY

A MILL expansion program is under way by the Pioneer Worsted Company of New Braunfels. W. E. Darnell & Company, investment firm of San Antonio, has joined the selling group of the Pioneer Worsted Company of New Braunfels. G. F. Monroe, formerly with the Investors Trust of Texas has joined the W. E. Darnell & Company and with Mr. Darnell will contact Texas sheep and goat raisers and invite them to help in the expansion program of this industry so vital to wool growers.

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T. R. Hinton of Keller writes that Mr. and Mrs. Lester E. Russell of Fort Worth are going into the Hampshire sheep business by purchasing some ewes and a ram lamb from him. The Russells are getting good stock and are making improvements for the proper care of the Hampshires.

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SILVER FLEECE

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goat ranch below the border. This would be, the dreamer Hall suggested, the greatest Angora-breeding and mohair-growing farm in the world.

As Harris listened, his deep blue eyes saw the ambitious dream unfolding into reality. It would be a privilege, he assured Hall, to be a partner in such an undertaking.

So, with high heart, the Scotchman sailed out of the Golden Gate that April day of 1875, bound for the Vale of Cashmere.

After making port in Yokohama, Japan, he sailed on to China. He had planned to go overland through China into Tibet and on into the fabled Vale. But upon landing in China, he dis-

covered that such an overland journey would not be practicable, if indeed possible. So, boarding ship again he voyaged to Calcutta, India.

The English officials at Calcutta were astonished when this determined Scotch-American announced his mission. It was a long way northward to the Vale of Cashmere, they pointed out, and it was dangerous, if not foolish, for anyone ignorant of the country and language to undertake such a journey. But seeing that this man with a dream burning in his blue eyes could be neither dissuaded nor discouraged, they did all they could to help him. They equipped him with maps, supplied him with an abundance of information and advice, and provided him with letters that would introduce him and explain his mission as he proceeded north on his perilous way to Cashmere.

John Harris recalled his journey in-

to the interior of India in a letter which he wrote about 1899 to William L. Black of Fort McKavett, Texas, author of "A New Industry," published in 1900.

After describing the various breeds of goats he saw as he traveled "on the cars" through Bengal and up into Central India, on the borders of Punjab, he wrote, "It is cold in the Punjab, in comparison with Bengal. When I got to Lahore, I had to stage it to Rawil-Pindee, and Murree, the British outposts, which is as far as any vehicle can go. From there I fitted out to cross the Himalaya into Cashmere. I procured a good interpreter, and seven or eight men to go with me, and went into Cashmere by the Jhelum route, which is the head tributary of the Ganges. In going up the Jhelum, through the Himalaya, I met two English officers coming down from the Thibets. They had a great many servants and coolies, loaded with wild trophies of the chase, and they told me there were a great many Ibex, and wild goats of various kinds, up in the high Thibets . . .

"My attention was called to two little goats that one of the collies was leading. The officer told me these were the tame goats of Bokhara, and famed for their fur; they were low set, and spry little fellows, with delicate spiral horns; their hair was white, and shone like silver, and was about four inches long, with a very fine undercoating of fur.

"It took me some eighteen days to get over the Himalaya into Cashmere. When I got to Srinagar, the capital, I

found that there were no goats of the shawl species in the Vale of Cashmere. They were kept up in the high Thibets, even on the frontier of Siberia, and the goats that were kept on the highest mountains produced the finest fur."

Realizing that an animal that thrived and produced the best fleece only in the cold climate of the highest mountains in the world could never be profitably acclimated to California, Harris abandoned his plan to obtain the "shawl species" goat. And after visiting the Maharaja shawl factory in Srinagar, he decided to go on to Asia Minor — there to obtain some purebred Angoras.

An experience on the return trip from Cashmere caused him to speculate on the original home of the Angora goat.

"As I came down through the Himalayas on the Barmula route," he wrote, "in crossing the Basamolla river, I came to a Buddhist Temple. The priest gave me some fruit, and I gave him some money. Near to the Temple, I saw three or four nice little white goats, the same as I had seen with the English officers. I got my interpreter to inquire of the priest as to their origin, and he very devoutly looked up into the heavens, and then bowed to the earth, and said: 'The God of Buddha sent them down from heaven.'

"Now, I think, if the Angora goat originally came from any place, it was from the high Thibets, and was of the same species as the little white goat that I saw there.

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Back in Calcutta, he boarded ship again. He sailed south by way of Ceylon, thence west across the Indian Ocean. He went on through the Gulf of Aden, the Red Sea, and the Suez Canal. At Port Said he took passage on a vessel manned by Russians. He found only one person on the ship who appeared to be educated — a distinguished looking man who was a fellow passenger. But Harris was the only one aboard who spoke English until after the ship had arrived at Tripoli. Here a 15-year-old Greek boy, who had learned to speak English at an American mission school at Smyrna, came aboard. He had been visiting his parents, and was on his way back to school.

"This boy," Harris related, "was kind enough to act as my interpreter, and I was pleased to learn that my fellow passenger was a scholar of great learning, and was a native of the interior of Asia Minor. The boy told me he was a professor of a language that was now nearly dead, belonging to tribes that formerly inhabited the interior of Asia Minor, and he had been for the past year at Cyprus studying ancient Greek. The people of the Isle of Cyprus had originally been driven from Asia Minor by the Mohammedans. He said he was well posted on the Angora goat and if the weather was good the next day,

he would get out a book on the ancient history of Asia Minor and it had in it some beautiful steel engravings of the original Angora goat. The young lad read the book and interpreted to me, the Turkish gentleman sitting beside us and explaining:

"The book stated that about Alexander the Great's time, before Mohammed and his Arab followers conquered Asia Minor, there lived a tribe of people in those mountains that kept beautiful mohair goats, and made from their fleeces fine fabrics and disposed of them to the nobility of the neighboring countries. The engravings showed the family in their rude dwelling fondling and playing with their goats, and the book stated that it was customary to bathe the animals in the wine of Cyprus, and comb their hair with ivory combs dipped in olive oil."

Apparently the ship wandered from port to port in the Mediterranean for some time. At last, about the first of December, 1875, Harris debarked at Mersina (then spelled Mersyna), coast of Antolia, on the northeast corner of the Mediterranean.

"In going into Angora I started from Mersina, Tarsus," Harris wrote in the Oregon Agriculturist of October 15, 1896, "but although that saved me \$25 in passage money, it would have been much better had I gone by way of Constantinople. The road that way is more practical, and I would have seen English speaking people that would have given reliable information about the country. There was no one in Mersina who

could speak English but the British consul, and he was a Greek.

"He was very kind to me, and aided me in every way he could. He prevailed with me not to try to cross the Tarsus mountains at that time of year. However, I was very anxious to proceed on my way, and after some trouble he procured for me a man who was a packer and acquainted

with the country, to take me over to Angora. He also gave me his trusty (cavass) servant to go along with me, for this route was not considered very safe to travel. He saw by his consulate guide that there was an English consul in Angora by the name of Gatheral. To him he gave me a letter. (Continued on page 36)

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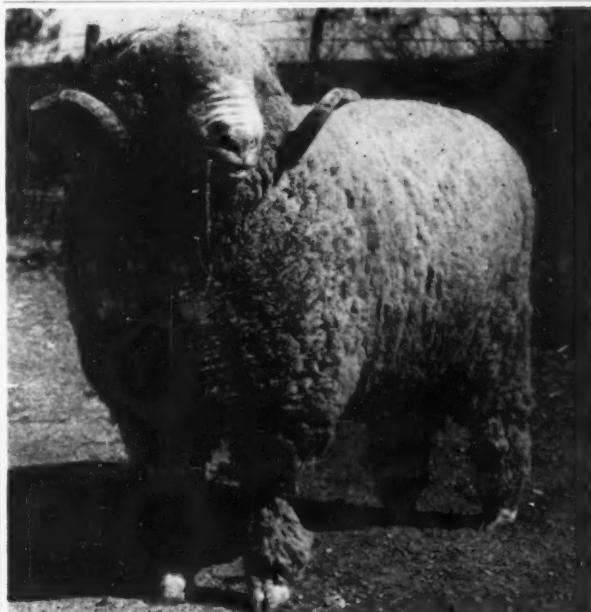
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of which the following is a verbatim copy:

British Vice Consul
Tarsus and Mersyna:
Mersyna of Tarsus, Dec. 4, 1875

Sir:

I have the honor to address this letter recommending to you Mr. J. S. Harris of California, but born in England, who had arrived here from Calcutta via Suez Canal with intention to purchase a number of Angora Goats to buy and send them to America.

Mr. Harris came to my assistance and advice, and for to do him a favor I gave him my Cavass Selim to come with him and in case Mr. Harris returns here to stop and bring him also.

Told the sojourn of Mr. Harris of this place and in my house leaving I am proud to add that I have found him steady and straightforward man, and honorable in all ways, and of which induced me to take the liberty to recommend to your kind assistance and protection, beginning at the same time to give him all information that lays in your power in regard to his undertakings.

I have the honour to be, sir, your most obedient servant
M. Tattarachi
To H. B. M. Consul, etc., etc., Angora.

"On the 4th of December, 1875, I started across the Tarsus. Those are lofty mountains . . . The first day we journeyed inland to the city of Tarsus, and although the Tarsus mountains were well covered with snow, yet the orange and lime were unhurt from cold, and grew in the gardens and groves around that city.

"It took us some four or five days travel through the passes of the Tarsus to reach the summit of the mountains, and then there opened to our view as far as eye could see, a vast treeless rolling plateau country, sparsely covered with a small kind of bunch grass and a small kind of cactus family which seemed to be much relished by the camels that packed through the country . . . This portion of Asia Minor is poorly settled, seemingly for lack of water to irrigate with . . . On our way to the city of Angora we saw but one bunch of sheep and Angoras, and they looked to me like very poor specimens to have traveled so far to see. The day before we got to the city, we came to the Angora Salt Lake. It is not large, but it affords a great deal of salt, which is packed all over the country, even into Persia. The Ottoman government controls it, and it is a great source of revenue to them. This salt was piled up like mountains, and some of it had lain there for years. So by this you can well see the country is very dry. The night we reached the city it was very cold. By my travelers' watch which I carried, it told me it was below zero, and indicated that we were about 3500 feet above sea level.

"The streets of Angora were well covered with snow, and a cold, northeast wind was blowing across the Black Sea from the Arctic."

"The morning after my arrival at the city of Angora," the narrative continues, "my servant Selim appeared dressed up in his fine, showy clothes.

"He carried with him a large silver sheath sabre, with a British coat of Arms standing boldy out on the frontal of his cap. He looked and was a very fine man. So, with the dignity of a prince, he salled forth to see the 'Pasha' of that city . . .

"He soon came back to me, accompanied by two of the Pasha's servants,

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carrying with them long silver-headed staffs.

"Then they took us in hand and guided us to a large building which proved to be the Bank of Angora.

"On entering, one of the Pasha's servants acted as spokesman, and informed the manager of the bank that an American from California had come there to purchase goats.

"The gentleman then addressed me in pretty fair English and inquired into the difficulties I had to contend with in crossing the Tarsus at that season of the year.

"I answered him that I got along all right, but as I had been some 21 days out, I was much pleased to meet with one who could speak to me in English.

"He then inquired if my nationality was an American. He had readily detected my accent, but had not as yet looked at my letter of introduction.

"I answered him that I was a Scotchman, but had been quite awhile in California.

"He then said his principal, Mr. Thompson, who resided in Constantinople, was also a Scotchman, and politely invited me inside the bank, at the same dismissing the servants, and furnished me with a seat and Scotch papers to read, excusing himself so that he might attend to the duties of the bank.

"In a short while a servant brought me, on a silver server, a cup of black coffee and cigarettes; the latter I declined, as I did not smoke.

"While I sipped that cup of coffee, I felt at ease . . . thanking my lucky stars that I had been so fortunate as to fall into such hands.

"As soon as the gentleman had got through with the business of the bank, he took me with him outside, where there were two beautiful Arab horses, saddled and held by attendants. He told me to mount one of them, which I readily did.

"We rode at a brisk pace for about two miles up a little valley to where he resided. He told me it was a beautiful place in the summer months. In the garden there had grown apples, pears, peaches and grapes. He also had some fine fresh tomatoes that he had preserved from the frost. (I afterwards learned that this place belonged to Mr. Thompson.)

"I stopped with that gentleman during my stay in Angora and he treated me with the highest degree of kindness and hospitality, aiding me in every way he could pertaining to my business there. He, however, was of a very reserved turn of mind, and told me nothing in regard to his history, yet he seemed to be familiar with places in my native home. I afterward learned he had been raised and educated by Mr. Thompson, and was there holding that important position as manager of the Angora Bank.

"He told that Mr. Gatheral, a Scotch gentleman residing in Constantinople, was the English consul there, but came up only in the summer months, and in his absence he acted as consul. He also told me there was no person there at that time who could speak English but himself.

"Every morning during my stay I went down with him to the city, and

while he attended to his I looked after mine."

Because John Harris had long assumed that the Angora goats of the Vilayet of Angora were all purebreds, he was in for a bitter disillusionment. As he visited the markets where Angoras were brought in from the surrounding country to be butchered, he was shocked to see that nearly all were inferior animals. He was dismayed when he examined, in a warehouse controlled by the Bank of Angora, the skins and mohair that were being sorted and sacked for shipment to Europe. A great deal of this mohair was, in his opinion, of low grade . . . So this, he thought ruefully, was what he had come half way around the globe to discover.

"He then told me," wrote Harris, "that although the mohair goat was a native of that country, yet some districts produced finer hair than others, and there were raised in some districts very small goats, and in other places large showy animals, all owing to the character of the pasture they were kept on. As to the goats and mohair I had referred to, sometimes people come in here from the Black Sea or Mediterranean side of the mountains. They might be relatives or sojourners, and they mostly bring with them some coast goats of the common breed, which are put in among the native mohair goats . . .

"I did not want the very small ones he had told me about, as I thought they would not be appreciated in California, and as Mr. Hall, my partner, had said to me when leaving, he hoped I would bring goats so large they would not be able to go into a cattle pen that stood on the deck of the ship that I left San Francisco on. Neither did I want to take that large, showy goat he also spoke about. What I desired was a medium sized goat, as densely fleeced as I could get."

After Harris had described the type of goat he sought, his host told him that there was such a type in a village some two days' journey from Angora. He said he would send a message by a cousin to the head man of the village, inviting him to come to Angora so that the Scotch-Californian could deal with him direct.

Although his banker friend had urged Harris to remain in Angora till spring, when the trails would be open and travel would be easier, the traveler was eager to get on.

Convinced it would be impossible to return to Mersina, with the goats he expected to buy, so deep was the snow along the route he had come in by, Harris let his servant Selim and the man with the horses go home — as they were getting anxious to do. He would take the route to Constantinople, he decided, as he thought it would afford easier travel in mid-winter.

While he awaited the arrival of the head man from the distant village, the curious Harris, with his host as interpreter, had an interesting talk with some old men of Angora. They asked him questions about America and California, and he in turn queried them about the genealogy of the Angora goat. One of the men, throwing his hands up, said that the Angora goats, like their mountains, had always been

in that country. Harris then asked interpreter for an opinion, and the banker said that he was not a native of Angora and knew little about the history of its famous fleece-bearing goats, but he suggested that they might have been in the Ark when it rested on Mount Ararat in Armenia. (Harris had skirted Armenia on his way from Mersina to Angora.)

Then the visitor asked whether any other Americans had ever come there for goats. The answer to this question was accompanied by a typically American tall tale.

Yes, one of the old men said, an American had come to Angora some twelve years before to purchase goats, but had reached the conclusion they would not do well in America, and so had left without buying. This American, said the Angoran, was a small, deformed man. He had explained to the Turkish people that he had been blown to pieces in a steamboat explosion on one of the rivers of the United States. The pieces, he said, had been gathered up and put in a box, and so he had grown back together as he was.

Three days after the messenger had set out for the village, the head man arrived. He agreed to sell the Scotch-American ten bucks and two does, the best in the village, for \$25 each.

It was then decided that one of the clerks at the bank, a Christian Armenian who knew a great deal about mohair goats, should accompany Harris to the village.

(To be continued)

KEYS RAMBOUILLETS PROVING POPULAR

A. W. KEYS, Eldorado, is one of the newer Rambouillet sheep breeders, although he has been raising range sheep since 1922.

His stud ram production has been a hobby as well as a serious business for Mr. Keys for the past several years. Results have justified his faith in this business and one of his stud rams topped the All-Breed Sheep Sale in Junction last year, selling to Nelson Johnson for \$325. Another Keys ram was second high of the sale.

Ram lambs and mutton lambs sold by Mr. Keys have proved winners in boys' club work and his lambs have been in increasing demand. Recently Clint Brown's son, Bobby, Harper, Texas, came to the Keys ranch for a top ewe lamb for use in Sears project work.

The blood lines for the Keys flock trace directly back to John K. Madsen ewes and stud rams of John Williams.

"I am trying to get a good combination meat and wool sheep — an all-around producer. Apparently I have hit on the right road as the results indicate," declared Mr. Keys recently.

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Wool and Mohair Market Report

By Sheep and Goat Raiser Boston Bureau

ACTUAL BUSINESS in wool textiles, wool, top, yarns and cloth has been very quiet for days past in eastern markets, as might be expected pending the advent of vacations coupled with end of year activities in both domestic and foreign wools. It would not be end of year for domestic fiber under normal conditions but the defense program has made a radical change in the methods of doing business in raw materials and semi-manufactured items for the textile apparel industries. Purchases of wool for defense purposes are of course free from control by the OPS. Civilian business is extremely quiet at present and likely to continue so until prices level off.

Small lots of both domestic and foreign wools are being traded at prices mostly unchanged as compared to the last two weeks. Some houses describe the market by saying "restricted buying, lack of offerings, and unfavorable psychology has slowed the business almost to a standstill." There is no uncertainty about prices being lower but at the same time the thin market prevents quoting firm prices on any particular description of domestic wool. Territory staple fine wools have been offered as low as \$2.50 clean basis and fine original bag a dime lower. Good halfblood 60s of staple length are priced at \$2.35. Average 12 months' is held at \$2.60. The trade has been hopeful

that Government ordering would get under way without further delay but as yet there is nothing of importance from this source. An improved civilian demand has appeared to be in the making but again the wish is father to the thought. Increased military buying will no doubt become a factor almost any day, especially with the advent of the new appropriations. It may require some time, however, according to trade opinions for buying operations to result from the new fiscal year funds. Lower prices are expected to materialize soon.

Pulled and scoured wools are being traded now and again at irregular prices. Distributing agencies agree the market is very quiet but insist that ceiling prices are in order for everything on the list. A spot line of South American fine carbonized wools brought about \$2.60 duty paid and scoured pulled Australian locks, 64s-60s in grade, were sold close to \$2.20 duty paid. Choice fine noils of 70s grade have been moved at around \$1.95 and a fraction higher and domestic medium 56s-50s noils from Noble combs at \$1.45.

Foreign Wools

Colonial wool auctions were resumed at Sydney with a very indifferent selection of wools offered and at the same time the amount of wool available was limited. Advices from Albury report the market irregular. Selections included some small lots of fall shorn clips and carbonizing types. Prices clean basis landed Boston were \$2.60 for Type 56 in bond and \$2.46 for Type 58 average top-making wools.

The wool markets of South America turned easier late in June in sympathy with the trend abroad and the sagging values for home-grown wools on the markets of this country. Montevideo Super 58s-60s types were quoted at \$1.65 to \$1.70 for shipment, which means around \$2.90 and higher duty paid landed here, as compared to \$2.80 for fine Territory wool. Prices in South American markets are under Government control to an extent even greater than our own wools. This is due to the fact licenses are required for export and officials fix the price when the license is issued. This turn of events has prevented buying for some weeks in both Uruguay and the Argentine for the account of wool interests in the United States.

Wool Top

A limited business has been in progress in wool top at prices on the low side of recent quotations and this applies especially to low grade tops used for the manufacture of knitted outer wear and other defense purposes. The sale of fine staple oil combed domestic wool top has been reported this week at \$3.45, which is

50 to 60 cents off from the high point of recent weeks. Domestic wool top 62s in grade has been traded at close to the price of fine due to the thin market and frequent buying to cover rush orders. Strictly fine Australian wool top has been down to \$3.50 to \$3.60 but this price failed to result in any volume of business on account of the mixed and uncertain market.

The Futures market for wool and wool top has continued to delay trading owing to the fact prices were up one day and down the next. It was said this was complicating the appraisal of values more than any lack of buyer interest. Wool factors are watching closely developments in official quarters as Government ordering is expected to get under way in the next two weeks but as yet there is nothing definite from this source. On the other hand it may take some time for buying to get under way as a result of the new fiscal year program.

Worsted Yarns

The market for worsted yarns of standard descriptions, that is to say white yarns in oil, is slightly easier. Inquiries for various blends have been reported which failed to materialize in sales. Standard productions of Bradford knitting yarns such as high quarterblood 2-18s and 2-20s, have been quoted as low as \$3.50 as compared to \$3.90 previously. Bradford weaving yarns 2-40s 60s in grade priced at \$4.90 at the beginning of June are now \$4.60 and 2-30s 64s fancies listed at \$5.15 are \$4.87. Some distributors are pricing 64s white, also 2-30s, at \$4.95 as compared to \$5.85. White yarns in oil, such as 2-40's 64s are now quoted at \$4.70.

Demand for woolen yarns is almost at a standstill pending on a pickup in the buying program of official agencies. Civilian users are not in the least anxious to commit themselves until both civilian and official outlets show more signs of life.

Mohair

The market for mohair continues very quiet even though synthetic fibers used for similar purposes are moving as freely as stocks will permit. The difference in buyer interest is, of course, due to price. Graded No. 1 kid hair is quoted around \$2.40 for clips which bulk 36s in grade. Grown mohair No. 1, bulk 28s, is quoted at \$1.80 graded but there is a decided lack of buyer interest.

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A NEW agriculture department project got underway at Abilene Christian College in May when H. L. Moseley gave the college six registered Ramboillet sheep.

Moseley, an Abilenean, brought the sheep to the college farm from his ranch near Millersview in Concho County. Included in the gift were four two-year-olds and two yearlings.

F. M. Churchill, head of the ACC agriculture department, made the comment that the college has plans for building up a fine herd of Ramboilletts.

One purpose the sheep will serve at ACC is to furnish laboratory work for agriculture students. Another is financial: the agriculture department will raise registered bucks for sale.

NEW HANDBOOK ON KARAKUL SHEEP

A NEW book entitled "The Karakul Handbook", has been written by Lowry Hagerman, and published by the Karakul Fur Sheep Registry as a service to the industry.

Author Hagerman is well known in Karakul circles. He maintains large ranch holdings in New Mexico and runs a herd of several thousand Karakuls in addition to similar numbers of domestic sheep.

The Handbook, as the title suggests, is full of know-how, both in text and in detailed pictures on how to judge the pelts of lambs; how to classify them by type, quality and value; how to pick future breeders; which to pelt; which should be muttoned.

Other chapters deal with breeding for improvement; commercial breeding; general management; marketing the pelts, wool, mutton; record keeping; lamb photography; standards of perfection.

The volume is 7 1/4 in. by 10 in. and contains over 200 pages, including 64 full-page halftone picture re-

productions. Announced price of the book is \$15, with a pre-publication offer, good until July 1, of \$12.50 plus 25 cents mailing cost. It may be ordered direct from the secretary's office, Karakul Fur Sheep Registry, Friendship, Wisconsin.

Lower price levels are predicted in the long term wool outlook by A. W. Zelomick, editor of Int. Textile Apparel Analysis. Prices are not expected to show a sharp decline, he states, and there will be slight rallys.

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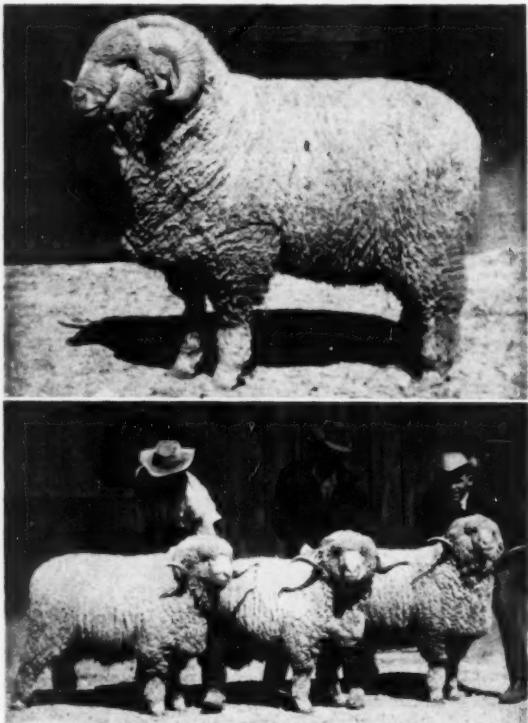
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Kansas Educational Program Demands Thousands of West Texas Lambs

C. G. ELLING, sheep specialist with the Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas has just completed his sheep buying rounds in Texas for the fourteenth straight year. Mr. Elling has been with the Kansas college for 37 years and is a friend and advisor to many of the Kansas farmers. So much so that they give him permission to draw a draft on them for as many yearling ewes as they desire from Texas. The program which has developed from Mr. Elling's Texas purchases is now quite extensive involving this year over 14,000 yearling ewes, some 700 Kansas farmers and Texas commission men.

This program was started in 1937. Elling has been coming down here every year since that time getting some yearling ewes to place on farms in Kansas where they are used in the farm flock program.

In 1937 good quality ewes brought \$7 a head. This year the same quality ewes averaged better than \$30 a head and he figures he still is getting his money's worth at this price.

The number of yearling ewes has varied, some years he did not get 700. The greatest number he has taken from the state was 20,000 head in 1938. This year he is shipping 14,300 to the Sunflower State.

The ewes are distributed in small groups to farmers in 46 counties in Kansas for farm flocks. Elling has never brought anything but yearling of the best quality and flock owners in Kansas wear these ewes out producing lamb and wool crops and then put the ewes on the market when they get to old to produce. The farmers are then ready for another crop of yearling ewes to replace the old ones.

Farm flock owners find it more profitable to place ewe lambs on the market as fat lambs and secure their replacement ewes by purchasing these Texas yearlings.

For example, last year 10,000 year-

ling ewes were sent to Kansas at a cost of approximately \$23.50 per head freight and all. These ewes produced a fat market lamb weighing between 90 and 100 pounds which sold for better than \$33 cwt on the market and a fleece of wool per ewe which amounted to about \$10. This made a gross income of \$43 on \$23.50 investment and still leaves a good ewe.

The life of yearling ewes varies depending on care taken. Sometimes quality Texas ewes are good producers at 8 years of age.

The first six weeks care after arriving in Kansas is very important in determining how well the lambs will do the first year as well as every year after that. The following program is the one usually followed and one that the Kansas flock owners like very well.

When the ewes arrive in Kansas after being unloaded from cars, they are tired and are allowed a day's rest on good alfalfa hay and other roughage. Plenty of good water and all the grain that they will clean up in 15 to 20 minutes twice a day. Some of these Texas yearlings are not familiar with grain and have to be taught to eat it. The system of giving the whole bunch as much as they will clean up in 15 minutes is insurance against foundering some of them. In three or four days all will eat grain well. After the ewes are well rested and accustomed to their new home they are turned out to pasture, gradually at first. Grain feeding is discontinued for two or three weeks while they are on pasture. This is called the flushing period and at the end of that time the rams are turned into the flock for six weeks. Then the rams are taken out, which means rams are taken out by approximately July 1 and also means that if the rams are with the ewes for six weeks, the lambing period will be over in six weeks, the last of



Willis Barbee, seller, and C. G. Elling, buyer

October, November and the first two weeks in December. Through this program the Kansas flock owners are taking advantage of the weather.

One of the strongest points in getting the ewes to settle and breed early is to turn them out on good fresh pasture during the last part of May and June. Then about five months later, which is the approximate gestation period for ewes, the lambs are born. During these fall months the flies have disappeared and the weather is cool, but not too cold. A good percentage of the newly born lambs can be saved. Nothing but pure-bred, mutton-type rams are used. When these good quality Texas fine wool yearling ewes are bred to good mutton type rams, the lambs will be of excellent quality and will produce premium carcasses and sell as market-topping lambs. All the farmers need to do this is have them fat. By feeding the ewes well in the spring about half-pound per ewe per day — during the eight weeks flushing and breeding period she will do well after that with no grain during the rest of the summer. On good pasture during the summer and early fall the ewes will be in excellent condition for lambing in the fall. Lambs are born strong. The ewes are in good condition for milk production. By creep feeding grain to the lambs from the time they are two weeks old or as soon as they will eat grain, clear through the suckling period many farm flock owners have been able to produce 80 to 90 pound lambs at four and a half to five months. This means that December lambs will be marketed shortly after April 15 at a good weight and market topping prices.

Here again in fattening these lambs and putting them on the market before May 1 the farm flock owner has the advantage of cool and cold weather.

It is very important to give these yearling ewes good attention this first year they are on Kansas farms. The reason for this can be readily seen when one realizes that these yearling are not fully grown and during the first year they are expected to gain 25 to 30 pounds or more. Also produce a \$10 to \$12 fleece and give birth to a good strong lamb, and suckle it until it weighs 80 or 90 lbs.

Kansas farmers take advantage of this program by paying considerable attention to the growing and preparation of wool for market — selling it

on a graded basis. Lambs are sold on graded basis, too. Nearly all lambs marketed are graded on farms. Only good and choice lambs are sent to market. The others are held back and fed until they too become market toppers.

Ewe milk is the best feed for lambs. Ewes are well fed during the winter for milk production and if the year is favorable for wheat pasture nothing is better than good wheat grazing for ewes in the winter. Many years however they do not have the pasture, then half pound of grain is given to the ewe per day in addition to roughage of alfalfa, silage, etc.

Every year these yearling replacement ewes have come from a 200 to 400 mile radius of San Angelo.

There is a system of feeding lambs which differ from creep feeding and works exceedingly well.

When the lambs weigh 35 or 40 pounds they are divided from the ewe in the mornings by means of a cutting chute. The lambs are kept up during the day and the ewes are turned out to pasture. Lambs are fed all the grain they will clean up nicely in 20 minutes. In addition to grain they are given hay and roughage. The lambs are turned in with the ewes again at night. At first it is a chore to get ewes and lambs to go through the cutting chute, but after several days becomes automatic.

Where this system is used most of the lambs after weighing 80 pounds have practically weaned themselves and go on grain exclusively. This gives ewes a chance to rest up for early breeding season which should take place the middle of May to July 1.

By this system of management the lambing program can be successfully carried out year after year. Good rations for lambs in the creep can be one of many, however, the most important thing is to keep troughs clean. Lambs will eat little grain out of filthy troughs. Sometimes lambs eat too much and become foundered.

There is quite an educational program started at the Kansas and Missouri markets. One is at Wichita, one at Kansas City and the other at St. Joseph. Every year for the last 15 years markets have cooperated by putting on lamb and wool schools during the month of May. This year as many as 1200 lambs entered competition for prizes on foot and carcass.

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Good Rams Are Worth The Costs

By Jack Taylor

THE MOST successful sheepmen save the top end of their ewe lambs each year, and cull their lowest producers as a means of raising the level of quality and increasing the dollar income of their flocks. The rate of increase in production of the ewes is mainly dependent on how much better the rams are than the ewes. A man with a very high producing ewe flock must buy top rams in order to effect any improvement. Using rams inferior to the ewes results in offsprings of lower quality and flock degeneration.

It has always been assumed that "a ram is half the flock", but Dr. Julius Nordby, Director of the U. S. Sheep Experiment Station, at Dubois, Idaho, disagrees. He points out that a ram that furnishes just half of the inheritance qualities will effect no improvement; and, therefore, a ram that does improve a flock will have to furnish more than half of the factors that result in improvement, and is more than half the flock.

The cost of maintaining an inferior ewe is approximately the same as the cost of maintaining a high producing ewe; yet, the good ewe will produce more pounds of lamb and wool of higher market value. As a result, the net income from good ewes will be a great deal more and very easily double the net income from ewes of poor quality.

Almost any kind of sheep have some money during the past 10 years, but "old timers" say a sheepman must have a sound breeding program to stay in business over a long period of time. A man who buys cull rams at a commercial auction ring for use during the breeding season and expects to just about get his money back when his ewes are bred isn't likely to have a high producing flock. If he saves his ewe lambs for replacements, he is going backwards because his ewes are better than their lambs.

He cannot buy the top ewe lambs from the better sheepmen as they are not for sale. His net income can never be as high as that of the better flocks.

Purebred ram breeders, in comparison to commercial sheepmen, have a much greater amount of money invested in breeding stock, equipment, time and labor. The rams they offer for sale each year to the commercial producers may represent only a small per cent of that year's lamb crop, and they must receive a reasonable price in order to stay in business. These purebred breeders are an essential part of the sheep industry since they furnish the superior sires necessary for commercial sheepmen to improve their flocks.

It is a well known fact that, in all breeds of livestock, considerable variation may exist between two individuals' productive ability. The Rams Progeny Tests at the Sonora Ranch Experiment Station have shown that the variation in clean wool production of one sire group of rams may exceed that of another as much as three pounds. Assume only a 2-pound clean wool difference between two rams and that one-half this difference, or one pound more clean wool, will be transmitted to the offsprings of the better ram. If 10 ewe lambs are saved per year for four years, and each ewe is kept for six shearing seasons; then $10 \times 4 \times 6 = 240$ pounds clean wool advantage in using the better ram. If the wool graded 64's average, government price ceiling would allow \$3.35 per clean pound, and the better ram would be worth \$804.00 more than the inferior ram.

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Foxtail Johnson Objects

Last year Sprig Posey put 2-4-D on his weeds and whiskey in himself and him and them flourished as never before. This summer he reversed the dosage. The funeral was Friday and the widow has a weedless farm for sale.

Old burocrats never die. They just sit around and think up new taxes.

There've been so many cheerful and happy stories in the Hardscrabble Clarion here lately that the paper's repitation for truthfulness is gone forever.

Quite a few grain field fires this summer, but not in the fields of careful farmers. They grow enough Johnson grass, sour and other green stuff along with their barley that a fire sputters out before it starts.

It sure don't look like the world is getting any better, but Sledge Wicup is sure that some day it will. He says Foxtail Johnson can't live forever.

Here's a piece in the paper about a scientist tryin' to find out why a rooster crows. Why don't he ask me? I could tell 'im the dad-gum bird crows because he figgers all the people in the neighborhood is asleep and needs wakin' up.

Whenever I wonder if maybe I don't owe it to my country to run for president, Bermuda says I'm too old to handle the job. She thinks I've been too old ever since I got over bein' too young.

Clab Hucky says he sure does miss fresh milk at his meals. He still has his cow but his wife died and it looks like he's gonna have to marry himself another milker.

This community was ruint when a good road was built from here to the state highway. Everybody that was worth shucks moved out and nobody moved in.

I've saved a pile of money by bein' an old fogey and doin' without new-fangled gadgets, but it's all loaned out to my modern kinfolks that don't do without nothin'.

A picture called "Bad Men of Texas" is showin' over at Beaver Slide. Guess I'll have to go see with handsome, slick-haired Hollywood actor plays the part of Foxtail Johnson.

I didn't neither say that legal likker is always worthless. Sometimes it's mighty useful in waterin' down regular likker for weak stummnicks.

Come to think of it, I ain't never been investigated by a Congressional commity. I'll just have to get up on my hind legs and demand the attention due a prominent and dangerous citizen.

Josh Blickler is havin' his TV set moved from the front room out into the garden. The way he figgers it, anything that can scare him outta the house oughta scare sparrows outta the radishes.

There's the ordinary depravity the sheriff deals with. There's the advanced depravity Sen. Kefauver uncovers. And then there's the soopreem depravity reached by Ringtail Skump. He sells merrywanna that's adulterated with jimson weed.

My Nephew, Sandbur Johnson, dropped a sidewinder rattle in the collection plate at church, just to see what would happen. Nobody noticed so next Sunday he'll leave the snake attached.

All my life I've been the victim of a low-down conspiracy to keep me from gettin' ahead. I know, because I was the chief plotter.

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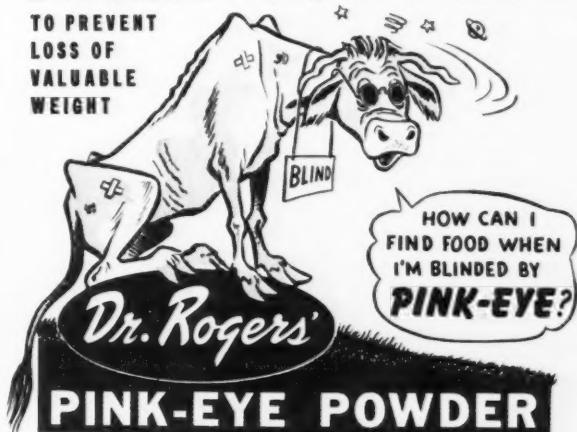
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SIGNS ARE multiplying that the Administration may be forced to ease its grip on the national economy.

Recent downward trends in prices have weakened arguments that were based on inflation fears. There may be more inflation ahead, but, until the indicators definitely point that way, arguments for tough controls don't have much effect.

For the present, modification of present price controls is a fair bet. The death blow against them, being predicted by some, is not to be expected.

There's a good chance that renewal of the Defense Production act—which includes price controls — will be delayed until after expiration date of the Act on June 30. That would mean a resolution by Congress extending its life for a temporary period of about 60 or 90 days.

Present strategy of Farm Bloc opponents of beef rollbacks is to write into such a resolution a prohibition against further rollbacks. The House Agriculture committee, meanwhile, has demanded that Mike DiSalle's Office of Price Stabilization rescind its beef orders, past and future.

The price orders will hamper production, the committee charged, and lead to "consumer rationing" and "black markets," and result in "an actual substantial and unjustified loss" to farmers who bought cattle for feeding in recent months.

The committee found it was "almost

impossible for the industry to operate in compliance with OPS regulations". The results include slaughtering decreases, closed packing plants, and loss of jobs for many workers.

House Agriculture's committee's action demanding the beef orders be thrown out is a measure of progress being made by cattlemen who have come to Washington in recent weeks.

When they first arrived they were told by Rep. Harold Cooley, chairman of the committee, that they weren't making a good case. Cooley, more recently, has spearheaded their opposition to beef rollbacks.

The squeeze on feeders could put a serious crimp in marketing procedures, it is now generally agreed. Less prime and choice beef is anticipated later when feed lots are emptied.

Cattlemen apparently have been convincing in pointing out that many cattle raisers — who have increased feed costs in order to enlarge herds — would cut back production if the beef orders are allowed to stand.

At this writing, Mike DiSalle was still sticking by his guns, insisting that all the beef orders will be carried through. But there are indications that Truman might be wavering due to Farm Bloc pressure, despite his earlier insistence he would back DiSalle all the way.

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that DiSalle would feel forced to resign his post as U. S. price boss.

Direct subsidies are still a possibility as compromise "out" on the issue of price control of some commodities.

Labor groups are pressing the Administration to continue battling for subsidy powers. Living costs, especially if they rise still higher, make labor's argument a persuasive one.

Subsidy payments to farmers, as in the Brannan Plan, would be calculated to keep prices up for the producer, and down for the consumer.

However, both consumer and farmer eventually would pay at least part of the difference in income taxes. Most of the major farm organizations are strenuously opposed to the subsidy idea, but might relent in case of heavy inflationary pressures.

The Administration could win approval for limited use of subsidies. But it is felt in Washington that the White House proposal to freeze parity at the start of each marketing year is doomed for early defeat by Congress.

Farm organizations are united in opposition to the annual-freeze proposal.

Agriculture Secretary Brannan is backing the idea. But his previous arguments in favor of full parity — free to fluctuate with farm production costs — are weakening his present support of the Administration's drive for a freeze.

Latest figures from the Agriculture Department show approximately one percent drop in prices received by farmers during May. It was the third consecutive month that prices showed a decline.

Average farm prices now are about three percent below the February peak.

Drop in prices of meat animals lead the way, along with wool, wheat,

and milk. Prices paid by farmers were also down slightly, but the parity ratio was less favorable.

"General business activity," reports the Department, "continues high and is supporting a strong demand for farm products . . . Employment and income payments are at or near record levels . . . During the remainder of 1951, meat production is expected to be moderately larger than in the same period in 1950. Most of the rise will be in pork."

Ambition, vanity, and love are the things people have most in mind when they buy clothing, according to a recent survey sponsored by the Wool Bureau which promotes the production and sale of wool and woolen goods.

The study revealed that most U. S. men admit they buy clothes in hope of impressing other men they meet in business, or women.

Women, as expected, have much to say about the clothes bought by their husbands. Seven of 10 wives are reported to have "influenced the selection of the last suit bought by their husbands."

JUNCTION RANCH SELLS TO FRANCIS

THE U & I Ranch, 10 miles west of Junction, has been sold by the owner, Allan D. Morris, to John Francis of Midland.

Francis got possession in June and plans to turn the ranch over to his son, John, who is now in Schreiner Institute in Kerrville.

A former ranchman, Francis has been an independent oil operator in Midland for the last 25 years.

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THE TEXAS RANGE FASCINATED O. HENRY

The biographers of O. Henry do not record that he ever returned to the LaSalle County ranch after he left it in 1884. He spent some additional fourteen years in Texas after leaving the ranch but after he left the state, in 1898, he never returned. His description of the Texas ranch scenes were drawn entirely from memory while he was in the Ohio prison and later in New York. Will Porter evidently loved the Texas range scenes. He was exhilarated by the boundless expanse and he never forgot. "I went to Texas and ran wild on her prairies," Porter wrote to a friend in his later years. Only the most famed of all Texas yarn-spinners could give such descriptions as:

"The ranch rested upon the summit of a lenient slope. The ambient prairie, diversified by arroyos and murky patches of brush and pear, lay around us like a darkened bowl at the bottom of which we reposed as dregs. Like a turquoise cover the sky pinned us there. The miraculous air, heady with ozone and made memorably sweet by leagues of wild flowers, gave a tang and flavor to the breath. In the sky was a great, round, mellow searchlight which we knew to be the moon, but the dark lantern of summer, who came to hunt northward the cowering spring. In the nearest corral a flock of sheep lay silent until a groundless panic would send them huddling together with a drumming rush. For other sounds a shrill family of coyotes yapped beyond the shearing pens, and whippoorwills twittered in the long grass. But even these dissonances hardly rippled the clear torrent of the mocking-bird's notes that fell from a dozen neighboring shrubs and trees. It would not have been preposterous for one to tiptoe and essay to touch the stars, they hung so bright and eminent." (THE MISSING CHORD.)

As O. Henry wrote THE LAST OF THE TROUBODOURS, no doubt he was recalling his own days spent strumming the guitar as he lay in the shade of the hackberry trees at the Dick Hall two-room shack in LaSalle County. He described Sam Galloway's thoughts and observations thus:

"... While he lay thus, meditating upon his blessings, little brown cottontails would shyly frolic through the yard; a covey of white-topknotted blue quail would run past, in single file, twenty yards away; a paisano bird, out hunting for tarantulas, would hop upon the fence and salute him with sweeping flourishes of its long tail. In the eighty-acre horse pasture the pony with the Dantesque face grew fat and almost smiling. The

troubadour was at the end of his wanderings . . ."

Again, the vast expanses of the Lone Star ranges were calling to Will Porter when, in A DEPARTMENTAL CASE, he wrote:

"In Texas you may travel a thousand miles in a straight line. If your course is a crooked one, it is likely that both the distance and your rate of speed may be vastly increased. Clouds there sail serenely against the wind. The whippoorwill delivers its disconsolate cry with notes exactly reversed from those of his northern

brother. Given a drought and a subsequently lively rain, and lo! from a glazed and stony soil will spring in a single night blossomed lilies, miraculously fair. Tom Green County was once the standard of measurement. I have forgotten how many New Jerseys and Rhode Islands it was that could have been stowed away and lost in its chaparral. But the legislative axe has slashed Tom Green into a handful of counties hardly larger than European Kingdoms. The Legislature convenes at Austin, near the center

"... can now tell a Mexican in the highest and most grammatical Castilian to tie a horse without his thinking I mean for him to turn him loose."

of the state; and while the representative from the Rio Grande is gathering his palm-leaf fan and his linen duster to set out for the capital, the Panhandle solon winds his muffler above his well-buttoned overcoat and kicks the snow from his well-greased boots ready for the same journey. Things sometimes happen there uncouth to pattern and unfettered by metes and bounds . . ."

O. HENRY TOOK MANY A JIBE AT THE COWMEN

It is usually stated, or at least implied, that Will Porter spent his two years in LaSalle County as a cowboy and that he received his initiation as such. He was intensely interested in the cowboys and closely observed all their actions, habits, and speech but in his writings he certainly did not lionize the man on horseback. To him, all cowmen were not heroes. Many a





He learned how to shoot accurately from the saddle . . .

sly poke did he give to some cowmen. In A CALL LOAN, O. Henry described the cowman in the heyday of his prosperity thus:

"In those days the cattlemen were the anointed. They were the grandees of the grass, kings of the kine, lords of the lea, barons of beef and bone. They might have ridden in golden chariots had their tastes so inclined. The cattlemen were caught in a stampede of dollars. It seemed to him that he had more money than was decent. But when he had bought a watch with precious stones set in the case so large that they hurt his ribs, and a California saddle with silver nails and Angora skin suaderos, and ordered everybody up to the bar for whiskey—what else was there for him to spend money for?"

And he continued, "Not so circumscribed in expedient for the reduction of surplus wealth were those lairds of the lariat who had women folks to their name. In the breast of the rib-sprung sex the genius of purse lighting may slumber through years of inopportunity, but never, my brothers, does it become extinct."

In SEATS OF THE HAUGHTY, one of the characters who had been manager of an itinerant opera company which had gone broke in Beeville, was standing on the wooden sidewalk in Atascosa City with three cents in his pocket. Suddenly, two fine gold watches fell into the middle of the street, making a drizzle of little springs, screws and wheels. The stranger looked up for a balloon or an airship but seeing none, walked out to investigate. Then two men in "leather overalls and high heeled boots and cartwheel hats" ran to the watches. The one whose watch was in the more battered condition stated

that he had won. The other cowman paid off the wager with a handful of twenty-dollar gold pieces. In due time it came to pass that the winner became interested in the ex-theatrical agent who became the agent of the cowman, employed to show him the sights of the eastern cities. This arrangement was made by the cowman on the ground that he had seventy-five thousand dollars and he was trying to avoid the disgrace of dying rich in a town like Atascosa City. To clinch the bargain the pair called the roll of Atascosa City, put all the citizens except the ladies and minors under the table, "except one man named Horace Westervelt St. Clair; then bought couple of handfuls of cheap watches and egged that worthy out of town; then dragged the harness maker out of bed and set him to work on three new saddles; and finally went to sleep across the railroad track at the depot, just to annoy the S.A.&A.P."

In LAW AND ORDER, an O. Henry character made this thrust: "You've heard of old Ben Kirkham, the cattle king? His ranch run from the Nueces to the Rio Grande. In them days, as you know, there was cattle barons and cattle kings. The difference was this: when a cattlemen went to San Antone and bought beer for the newspaper reporters and only give them the number of cattle he actually owned, they wrote him up for a baron. When he bought 'em champagne wine and added in the amount of cattle he had stole, they called him a king."

SHEEPMAN OUTWITS THE COWMAN

Probably about one-half of O. Henry's stories had their setting in the southwest. Some are satisfying
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love stories, some tell the story of the Texas Ranger and the bad man along the border, some deal with the General Land Office in Austin, some with sheepman and some with the cattleman. All have humor and pathos.

Archer B. Gilfillan, in his book SHEEP, states: "Once, in an O.

Henry story, we find a herder who is apparently on the road to being the hero, but he turns out to be an escaped convict, still on the down grade."

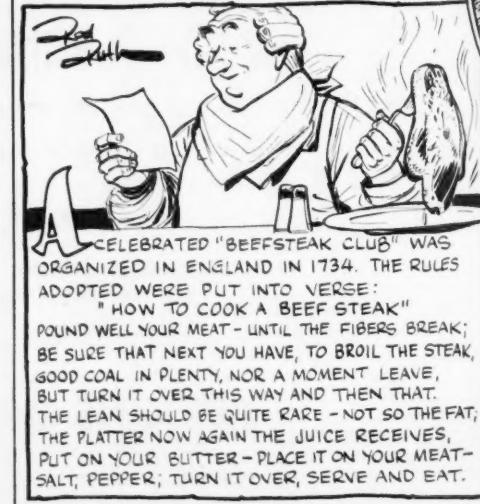
In at least one story, however, O. Henry did make the sheepman outwit the cowman at every turn and then marry the girl. In the words of the cowman himself, he was "sodded down with Johnson grass by a pink-eyed snoozer." In THE PIMIENTA PANCAKES, Jackson Bird of the Mired Mule Ranch, who was describ-

ed as "Seldom kind to a snoozer," dared to become a rival of Judson Odom, cowboy for the hand and favors of Miss Willella Learight, whose uncle ran the general store at the Pimienta Crossing.

The cowboy was astonished at the news that the sheepman was courting the girl, even if he did own eight sections of land and four thousand head of the "finest Merinos south of the Arctic Circle." So dumfounded was the old cowboy by the news that he sat down, leaned against a prickly

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pear, and sifted sand into his boots while he "soliloquised a quantity" about the sheepman, about as follows: "I never had believed in harming a sheepman. I see one, one day, reading a Latin grammar on horseback, and I never touched him! They never irritated me like they do most cowmen. You wouldn't go to work now, and impair and disfigure snoozers, would you, that eat on tables and wear little shoes and speak to you on subjects? I had always let 'em pass, just as you would a jack-rabbit; with a polite word and a guess about the weather, but no stopping to swap canteens. I never thought it was worth while to be hostile with a snoozer. And because I'd been lenient, and let 'em live, here was one going around riding with Miss Willetta Learight!"

The cowboy quickly brought matters to a showdown and rode up to the sheepman on the prairie. "Sheepman? — he wasn't more than a lamb man, anyhow — a little thing with his neck involved in a yellow silk hand-kerchief, and shoes tied up in bow-knots." The cowboy saluted his victim with, "You now ride with a equestrian who is commonly called Dead-Moral-Certainty Judson, on account of the way I shoot. When I want a stranger to know me I always introduce myself before the draw, for I never did like to shake hands with

ghosts." The cowboy pulled his forty-five, popped over a roadrunner with one shot and a rabbit hawk with the second. He then remarked to Jackson Bird, sheepman, that "Birds just naturally seems to draw my fire wherever I go."

The sheepman was not even impressed. The one-sided conversation continued until the sheepman stopped the threats by saying that all he wanted was to get the recipe which the girl used in making pancakes — that eating was all the pleasure he got out of sheepraising on his bachelor ranch. The cowboy was appeased and even agreed to help get the recipe. The two shook hands and parted. The sheepman immediately went to the girl and her uncle, told them that the cowboy had been in a camp where they were cooking pancakes and one of the fellows cut the cowboy over the head with a frying pan — that when the cowboy got overhot or excited he went crazy and went to raving about pancakes.

The cowboy made many trips to the store to secure "the bill of particulars for them flapjacks," but each time when he broached the subject the girl would call her uncle and he would appear with a pitcher of water in his hand and a hip-pocket howit-

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zer. This calming process had to be repeated several times.

In due time the sheepman married the girl and the couple went to Waco

and Niagara Falls on a wedding tour. Then the old cowboy had to admit that he was not wounded in the head, "except so far as my natural cogitative instincts run to runts." Three years later the cowboy was a crusty, soured cow camp cook but only occasionally serving pancakes to the boys.

O. HENRY BIOGRAPHY

William Sydney Porter was born

in Greensboro, North Carolina, on September 11, 1862 and came to the LaSalle County ranch in March of 1882. In the spring of 1884, he went to Austin and lived for a time with the Harrell family, whose old home was also in Greensboro. During the next eleven years, Porter led a busy life serving as bookkeeper, draftsman in the General Land Office under Dick Hall, as bank teller in the First

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National Bank, and as editor of The Rolling Stone. Here he married Athol Estes.

In October of 1895, Porter went to Houston and worked as a journalist on the Houston Post. In the next year, he was indicted on charges of embezzling funds of the First National Bank in Austin. In June of 1896, he started to Austin to stand trial but went to New Orleans and then to Honduras. He returned to Austin to stand trial. The local authorities made a gracious gesture and allowed him to remain with his wife until her death on July 25, 1897, but finally the trial was held in February of 1898. Porter did not offer any defense and was sentenced to the federal prison in Columbus, Ohio. He remained in prison from April, 1898 until July 24, 1901. In 1902, he went to New York City and remained there until his death on June 5, 1910.

Trying to hide his identity under the name O. Henry, Porter began writing in prison his immortal stories, based upon his experiences and observations in Texas. At least twelve such stories were written while in prison. MADAME BO-PEEP OF THE RANCHES was one of his early stories written in New York. It was first published in the SMART SET for June 1902. (See — Hudson Long, O. HENRY — THE MAN AND HIS WORK.)

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MRS. J. W. VANCE, Coleman, Texas, President of the Women's Auxiliary of the National Wool Growers Association, has completed a study of The Wool Bureau's operations in its New York headquarters, as part of an extended tour in behalf of the nation's wool growers.

The tour has also included a talk before the Texas State Senate and meetings with Congressmen in Washington.

"The Wool Bureau's work in championing the cause of the wool grower is imaginative and stimulating," she asserts. "It is an organized force in focussing and coordinating efforts toward the common goal of maintaining and increasing wool's markets."

She Directs National Contest

During her stay in New York Mrs. Vance has had an opportunity to observe the Bureau's activities in consumer and retail education, research, merchandising, promotion and publicity. As National Contest Director of the fifth annual "Make It Yourself With Wool" Home Sewing Contest, she has devoted much of her time to a study of the handling of the contest. With Miss Mary North, Contest Consultant for The Wool Bureau, she has been seeking means of expanding participation in the event.

In a statement directed to the officers of the auxiliaries in wool growing states, Mrs. Vance paid tribute to the achievements of the Home Sewing Contest. She expressed confidence that the Bureau and the Auxiliary, as sponsors of the annual event, will build the contest into "an outstanding factor in the promotion of wool."

Speaks to Texas Senate

Mrs. Vance arrived in New York May 16 after a visit to Austin, Texas, where she addressed the Texas State Senate as a representative of the wool industry. She was introduced by Senator Dorsey B. Hardeman of San Angelo.

In Washington, she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Byron Wilson. Mr. Wilson is a director of The Wool Bureau. During her stay in the nation's capital, she was honored at a luncheon held by Congressman O. C. Fisher of San Angelo.

Mrs. Vance declared that "as the representative of one of the world's oldest industries, I feel that now, more than ever, we must impress upon the American people the facts of wool's superiority." The best way for those in the industry to encourage the use of wool is to "wear wool and talk wool," she added.

Mrs. Vance has been an outstanding leader in Auxiliary and home sewing activities in Texas. Prior to her mar-

riage to John Will Vance, she was a Home Demonstration Agent in the Extension Service. Now she and her husband make their home at the Golden Hoof Farms in Coleman, where they raise Corriedale and Suffolk sheep and polled Herefords. They have an 18-year-old son, Kenneth, who is attending John Tarleton State College at Stephenville.



LAMPASAS WOMEN ENTERTAIN AUXILIARY AT JUNE MEETING

A "COKE" party was given in honor of the women attending the quarterly directors meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association in Lampasas June 8-9.

Mrs. Joe Almond of Lampasas was general chairman in charge of arrangements. Members of the decorating committee were Mrs. Glynn C. Perkins, Mrs. W. M. Brook, Mrs. Roger Carpenter and Mrs. Rush McMillan. The food committee consisted of Mrs. Clyde Young, chairman, Mrs. T. J. Casbeer, Mrs. Ira Hopper, Mrs. Carl Cloud and Mrs. Weldon Cloud.

Entertainment for the Woman's Auxiliary and the regular meeting for the group was held in the Hostess House in Hancock park. After the refreshment hour, Mrs. Stanley Walker of Lampasas made the welcome address. Mrs. Henry Newman of Coleman gave the response.

Mrs. R. L. Walker, president of the Texas Auxiliary, presided for the business session. Mrs. Frank Fulk of Fort Stockton, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting. Mrs. Fulk also made the following treasurer's report in the absence of the regular

officer, Mrs. Leo Richardson of Iran. Balance at Bandera meeting \$587.20 Dues received since that time 102.00 Check, last contest fund 713.95

Total \$1,403.15

Mrs. Oscar Neuhoffer and Mrs. Ross Snodgrass both of Kerrville made wool and mohair reports. They described the recent wool show in Harper.

A legislative report from Mrs. E. S. Mayer of Sonora was read. Mrs. Mayer has received an official proclamation from the governor designating the first week in October as Texas Wool and Mohair Week.

Mrs. Hondo Crouch of Comfort and Miss Sue Flanagan of San Angelo told of current publicity plans and of the May meeting with the Wool Bureau Educational Director, Mrs. Edna Brandau. Mrs. Crouch, who has charge of arrangements for the state "Make It Yourself With Wool or Mohair" contest reported on a planning committee meeting held in San Angelo in April.

Mohair material is available, Mrs. Crouch stated, from Ranchman's Wool and Mohair Commission, Ingram, and from Horace Brown, Rocksprings.

Mrs. Henry Newman, president of the Coleman County Woman's Auxiliary to the Breeder-Feeder Association and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, reported that the Coleman group is planning a local style show for the contestants who are going to the state competition in Kerrville.

This year all contestants who enter the "Make It Yourself With Wool or Mohair" contest will go to Kerrville

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LAMPASAS HOSTESSES who entertained the Woman's Auxiliary during the quarterly directors' meeting, June 8-9, are (l. to r.): Mrs. Joe Almond, chairman; Mrs. T. J. Casbeer; Mrs. Weldon Cloud; Mrs. Ira Hopper; Mrs. Glynn C. Perkins and Mrs. W. M. Brook.

Westons Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

MR. AND MRS. O. D. WESTON, pioneer West Texas ranch couple celebrated on May 12 their golden wedding anniversary at their ranch home near Trinidad, Colorado. For more than thirty years the Westons lived at their ranch home near Knickerbocker, Texas, coming from Mills County, Texas and settling on their West Texas ranch in 1916. They sold their ranch in 1947 and moved to Colorado.

Attending the celebration were twenty-six members of the Weston family, many of whom are well known in the southwest as leaders in the ranch industry. One of the four sons, Forest, is ranching between Alpine and Fort Davis, Texas. Elmo is ranching near Magdalena, New Mexico and

Bob near Walsenburg, Colorado. Another of the four sons of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Weston, J. C., died at Trinidad in 1949.

Mr. and Mrs. Weston are in excellent health and the elder Weston still is quite active in the operation of two ranches — one thirty-five miles east of Trinidad, one of the largest in Colorado, and another North of Walsenburg. In addition to his cattle he is running some 3,000 head of excellent ewes, unherded, which is quite astonishing to Coloradans who are accustomed to herders for their sheep flocks.

Members of the family present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Weston, Magdalena, New Mexico; Mr.

and Mrs. Forest Weston, Alpine; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Weston and family, Fort Davis; Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Weston, Mullin, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Dick

Sewell, Brownwood; Mrs. Edgar McNutt, Goldthwaite, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Edward King and family, Alpine; and Mrs. Paul West Dyke, Dallas.



FOUR GENERATIONS — Seated are O. D. Weston, Tommy, his great grandson and Forest, his son, Alpine ranchman; and standing is Billy, father of Tommy and son of Forest.

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LAMPASAS TEACHER WRITES BOOK ON COUNTY HISTORY

FOR ABOUT 10 years, Mrs. Jonnie Ross Elzner has been at work compiling a history of Lampasas County. She is a school teacher and mother of two children. Born near Mertzon, Mrs. Elzner moved with her family to Lampasas when she was a small child. She grew up in the Central Texas community with a first hand knowledge of circumstances and people of the region.

History never appealed to the active educator until she was completing her college work. One of her professors presented historical facts in a realistic way, which aroused her interest.

The book, "Lamplights of Lampasas", written by her and just off the press was, in its embryo stage, the basis for her master thesis. It is a composite record of fact and fiction

and goes through the physiography and evolution of the county. Historical data she has collected from the time the Spaniards first settled near Lampasas in 1721. A great deal of time, research and interviews have gone into the making of this book. The work is dedicated to her mother, Mrs. Edgar Ross and her children, Whitlow and Jane Elzner.

Many of the Lampasas facts which appeared on page twelve of the June Sheep and Goat Raiser were from Mrs. Elzner's book.

Besides her duties as teacher and mother, Mrs. Elzner is a district board member of the Federated Women's Clubs. She is an active worker in the Methodist Church teaching a Sunday school class, singing in the choir, and acting as senior young people sponsor.

"Lamplights of Lampasas" may be obtained by writing directly to Mrs. Elzner at Lampasas.

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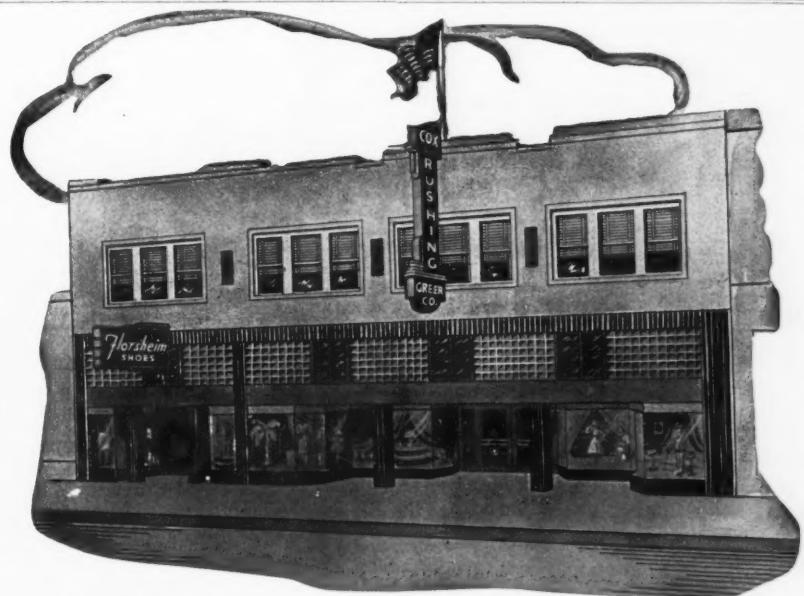
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AUXILIARY

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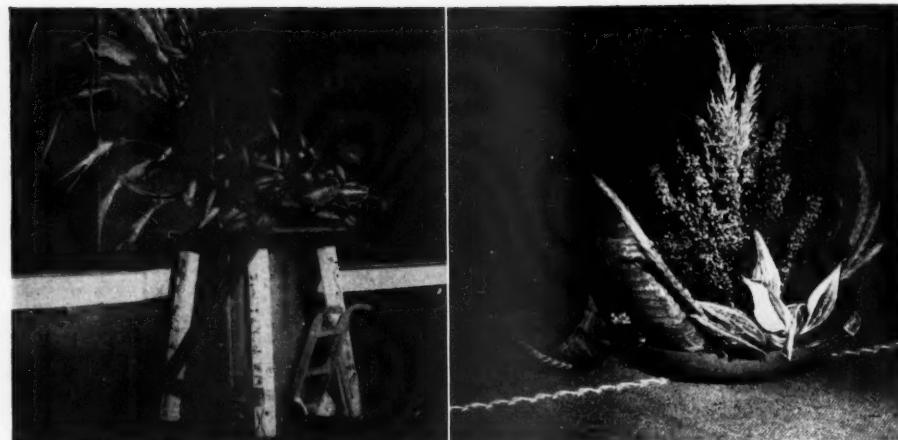
Mrs. M. C. Puckett of Fort Stockton, chairman of the Pecos County Auxiliary of the TS&GRA, outlined plans for a family picnic for the county auxiliary in June.

Mrs. Ross Snodgrass, president of the Hill Country Auxiliary of the TS&GRA announced that a meeting of that group would be held in Junction, June 26. Membership in the Hill Country chapter now totals 106 women.

Mrs. J. W. Vance of Coleman, president of the Women's Auxiliary of the National Wool Growers Association, returned the first week in June from an extensive wool promotion trip to New York, Washington, and Chicago. She reported on her work with the Wool Bureau, and on various conferences with officials of airlines, railroads and packing companies.

Mrs. Newman moved that the Auxiliary place \$350 in the Make It Yourself With Wool Contest fund to defray expenses. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mrs. Hondo Crouch made a motion that the Auxiliary award a dress length of 100% virgin wool material



UNIQUE DECORATIONS featured at the Lampasas meeting were made by Mrs. Glynn C. Perkins, Mrs. W. M. Brook, Mrs. Roger Carpenter and Mrs. Rush McMillan. (Right) Rams' horns make the framework for this attractive piece and native weeds and grasses form the center. (Left) A miniature wool sacker is holder for more native plants—cat tails and wild wheat.

as a prize in the state 4-H Dress Review at A and M College. The motion carried.

Mrs. G. A. Glimp of Burnet moved that the Auxiliary allow girls to enter more than one costume in their respective junior or senior division of the state style show. The motion was seconded and approved.

Seventy women attended the meeting.

One hour of factory labor today, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, buys 3-10 of a pound of steak and one pound more of bacon than it did in 1929.

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GOOD TRICK FOR A KID — Gail Jordan, daughter of Sterling Jordan of Mason, drives an Angora kid which had both hind legs frost bitten during the severe freeze the first of February. The kid lost one leg at the knee joint and the other is so badly damaged that it is forced to walk and stand on its front legs. The goat is growing and developing as fast and normally as the other kids. It is now beginning to walk on the damaged leg occasionally.

BOOTS WOULD TAKE CARE OF NATION'S FOOT ILLS, SAYS EXPERT

FOOT COMFORT the stockmen and cowboy have known since the West was young now is being experienced by an ever increasing number of business and professional men who have adopted Western boots for every-day wear.

Acceptance of boots in such metropolitan centers as Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Oklahoma City, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joseph, and Sioux City, has given added impetus to the strong boot market, according to H. Dean Hyer, general manager of C. H. Hyer

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Mr. Bratton also likes a good registered and range Rambouillet sheep and specializes in polled Rambouillet and will have a consignment at the San Angelo Sale. This year he is going to offer at the ranch 100 head of solid mouth ewes which will be bred to top quality registered Rambouillet rams for fall lambing.

He will also have about 75 head of top quality Angora bucks for sale and these have done exceptionally well this year.

Wesley Bratton, his son, recently purchased a small but highly improved place adjoining his father, C. H. His place consists of 200 acres a few miles from Rochelle.

C. H. Bratton predicts that range Angora bucks will average from \$30 to \$50 this season and \$100 to \$500 for good stud bucks. He raises around 300 head each year and feels that the biggest difficulty in the industry at the present time is the securing of the right kind of labor.

He has sold 50 head of range Rambouillet this year considerably depleting his supply for 1951. He will have a consignment of 20 head at the San Angelo Sale.

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Of the more than one million pairs of boots now being sold annually, Hyer estimates at least 20 percent are being worn by men who work in fields unrelated to ranching or live-

stock. They have found boots provide greater wearing comfort than regular street shoes, Hyer points out.

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tant as a man grows older, gains weight, and loses muscle tone, all of which add more strain to the arch of the foot, and, in turn, affects the muscles of the calves of the legs and eventually the thighs and back.

The higher heel also changes the distribution of weight on the foot. Instead of all the weight being put on the heels and arch, the properly designed boot puts it more on the ball of the foot. At the same time, the arch support holds the arch up, keeping the strain from breaking it down. In this way the weight is distributed on the ball, arch, and heel.

"America's preoccupation with square dancing has added to the lively demand for Western boots as has the rise in popularity of riding clubs in various communities through the country," Hyer adds.

"If every one wore boots," pointed out Hyer, "many of the foot ills that are plaguing Americans would disappear. We would all enjoy foot comfort."

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TEXAS SHEEP AND LAMB SALES INCREASE DURING JUNE

SHEEP AND lamb marketings in Texas during early June increased sharply over the past few months as the main selling season got well under way.

Yet, offerings at San Antonio and Fort Worth ran considerably below those of a year ago, the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports.

Chief influence in marketing of sheep and lambs in Texas has been the price of wool. Reduced marketings during the past several years reflected a nation-wide drop in farm flocks to the lowest level since 1865. The rebuilding process has been slow with some progress noted since 1945. Unusually high wool prices since mid-1950 have had a definite effect on available market supplies in Texas. The wool clip, rather than carcass value, was the important marketing factor.

Drought conditions in Texas during late 1950 and early 1951 caused some forced marketings, especially in the San Antonio area. Even so, most ranchers saw a definite profit in wool and managed to hold on to a large percentage of their flocks.

With the recent break in wool prices and the arrival of the normal heavy marketing season, shipments of sheep and lambs in Texas are now on the increase.

Arrivals at San Antonio and Fort Worth during the first 19 days of June totaled around 82 thousand head. This is about 60% more than the 51 thousand head that came in during the same period in May but less than half of the 171 thousand for the same time last year.

Of the 82 thousand sheep and lambs offered in Texas this month, some 73 thousand were yarded at

Fort Worth. Around 75% of these were stockers and feeders. About 93 hundred arrived at San Antonio. Most of these were aged sheep and feeders.

Price-wise, the market picture in Texas showed little change during the early part of June. Most activity in livestock trade centered around ceiling prices on beef.

Spring lamb prices were unchanged from May's close at both Texas yards. Utility to good springers made \$28 to \$31 per 100 lbs. at San Antonio and \$32 to \$33 at Fort Worth.

Shorn slaughter lambs were poorly tested at San Antonio, but good offerings sold in a \$29 to \$30.50 spread at Fort Worth.

Two-year-old wethers took a \$1.00 advance for the month at Fort Worth and brought \$23 to \$26. Aged sheep were little changed with cull to good offerings selling at \$15 to \$17. Some cull ewes went below \$15.

Utility to good aged wethers remained unchanged at \$16 to \$18 in San Antonio but ewes lost 25 cents per 100 lbs. as cull to utility grades earned \$14.50 to \$15.75.

Demand for stockers and feeders remained good in Texas this month. Sheepmen have displayed unusually broad inquiry for breeding ewes and have even dipped into yearling ewes that can be brought along for further production. But, with the tendency to rebuild flocks, these offerings have been scarce.

Also, there has been an active demand for feeder lambs and yearlings contracted for delivery at country points.

Despite the strong demand, prices for replacement sheep and lambs showed no change from the close of May. Fort Worth turned stocker and feeder spring lambs at \$30 to \$33. San Antonio moved spring feeder lambs back to the country at \$30 and down.

Old-crop feeders were scarce but around June 14 medium and good offerings sold at \$26 to \$27 in Fort Worth. San Antonio cleared shorn feeder lambs with No. 3 pelts at \$24.

Goat prices turned upwards in San Antonio during early June despite an increase in receipts. Kid goats took a 50 cent advance for the month while mature goats went up 50 cents to \$1. Receipts for the first 19 days of June amounted to around 33 hundred head compared with 29 hundred the same period last month and 28 hundred last year.

Most of the slaughter goats at San Antonio sold for \$16 to \$17 per 100 lbs. by the middle of June. Odd head

reached \$18.25. Kid goats were priced at \$8.50 per head and lower.

Hog and cattle prices in Texas this month showed more reaction to current developments than did sheep, lambs and goats.

By June 19, butcher hogs stood around \$1.50 per 100 lbs. above the May close and sows averaged 50 cents more. Pigs were unchanged at San Antonio but \$1 higher at Ft. Worth.

Losses of \$1 and \$2 were common throughout the list in the cattle division at both San Antonio and Fort Worth. However, most of this was due to a readjustment of prices under ceiling regulations.

DIRECTORS MEET

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2. Since some areas of Texas are suited to lamb production but are heavily infested with coyotes and other predators, and an increased production of lamb could be attained if these areas were freed of predatory animals, and since 1080 poison has proven very effective in coyote control in New Mexico and other states, be it resolved that this group encourage our predatory animal control personnel to use 1080 poison extensively in the eradication and control of predatory animals.

3. Warehouses report a satisfactory response to the president's solicitation of the additional \$1.00 per bag contribution to the Association and find many growers are authorizing the warehouses to make such deduction in accounting for process of wools.

The Committee had present and in conference, representatives of the Office of Price Stabilization, who outlined and discussed with the committee, OPS regulations and requirements covering and affecting Texas wool warehouses.

4. It is with genuine pleasure that we express our thanks to our Lampasas section for the things they have done to make us comfortable and happy during our visit.

To all of you we say just a simple "Thank You."

Hancock Park is one of the freshest and greenest sights we from the drier sections farther west have ever seen and we appreciate the privileges extended by its management.

The Secretary moved the adoption of the resolutions as read. Ray Willoughby seconded the motion and it was voted and unanimously carried.

President Roddie requested that the Secretary be authorized to reallocate the funds of the Association within the budget as long as it did not exceed the budget. Ray Willoughby moved that the Secretary be authorized to reallocate the funds. The motion was seconded, voted and carried.

The President recognized W. J. McAnelly, President, Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Houston; Dr. V. P. Lee, Houston; Dr. Jack Miller, Stanley Davis and Dr. Hardy of College Station; George Logan, Manager, Livestock and Agriculture Department, West Texas Chamber of Commerce, Abilene; and Duval Da-

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vidson, Director, Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas, Fort Worth.

The Secretary read the following letter:

"Mr. Ernest Williams, Secretary, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, San Angelo, Texas. Dear Mr. Williams: The presentation to the College of a portrait of Mr. T. A. Kincaid of Ozona, Texas, by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, is gratefully acknowledged by the Board of Directors of the College in its meeting on April 28, 1951. The portrait is a splendid recognition of Mr. Kincaid's service to the sheep and goat industry of Texas. I am instructed by the Board to express to you and to the members of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, the sincere appreciation of the Board and the administrative officers of the College. Sincerely yours, E. L. Angell, Secretary to the Board of Directors, Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, College Station, Texas."

The Secretary then read a letter from the Brackettville Chamber of Commerce inviting the directors to meet there September 7 and 8. Clayton Puckett moved that the fourth quarterly meeting be held in Brackettville. The motion was seconded, voted and carried.

Fred Earwood moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded, voted and carried. President Roddie adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p. m.

KANSAS

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Prizes are offered by the markets for the lamb and wool divisions.

The present farm flock program is a sharp contrast to what it used to be when farmers bought old toothless ewes — used them for scavengers — and got the lamb and wool crop one would expect from scavengers.

During the years of this program 175,000 yearling ewes have been shipped from a radius of 200 to 400 miles of San Angelo into Kansas. Nothing but selected ewes have ever been taken. Now and then a mutton will slip and in such instances the grower in Texas asks the Kansas farmer to sell the mutton and the Texas grower makes up the difference.

In distribution of these ewe purchases individual orders range from as little as two head to as many as 800. About 700 Kansas farmers take part in this replacement program.

This year 14,044 yearling ewes were purchased here averaging over \$30 a head. All these, and 300 muttons were bought through Willis Barbee, Ozona commission man. The sheep came from the following sources: Ed Willoughby, 977; Massie West, 1459; Boyd Clayton, 2,301; Fred Ball, 2,189; DeWolf & West, 3,015; George Bean, 533; William A. Hemphill, 1,307; Dempster Jones, 215 and E. H. Chandler, 2,048.

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"Heard you were moving a piano, so I came over to help."

"Thanks, but I've already got it upstairs."

"All alone?"

"Nope, hitched the cat to it and drug it up."

"You mean your cat hauled that piano up two flights of stairs? How could a cat pull a heavy piano?"

"Used a whip."

Freshman: "What is the difference between a sewing machine and a girl running for a trolley?"

Senior: "A sewing machine has only one bobbin."

The difference between amnesia and magnesia is that the man with amnesia can't remember where he is going.

"John, dear, I'm to be in an amateur theatrical. What will people say when I wear tights?"

"They'll probably say I married you for your money."

Another reason for not taking life too seriously is that none of us come out of it alive, anyway.

A Communist agitator rode into the city park and after leaning his bicycle against the railing, mounted a soap box and started to address the crowd.

"If your family is hungry," he shouted, "raid a shop and take food for them and don't care what anybody says. If your wife hasn't got a coat, pick the best fur coat you can see and ignore the consequences."

After several more minutes in this strain, he dismounted from his soap box and his next words were: "Where's the scoundrel who took my bicycle?"

LONG, LONG JOURNEY!

An Iowan was being driven by a rancher over a blistering and almost barren stretch of West Texas when a gaudy bird, new to him, scurried in front of them. He asked what it was.

"That is a bird of paradise," said the rancher.

The Iowan rode on in silence for a time, and then said: "Pretty long way from home, isn't he?"

The marriage ceremony had just been concluded and the groom thrust his hand into his pocket and inquired, "What do I owe you, Reverend?"

"We do not charge for this service," replied the minister, "but you can pay me according to the beauty of the bride."

"Okay," said the young man and he handed the minister a quarter. The minister raised the bride's veil, took a look and dug into his pocket.

"Here's fifteen cents change, young man."



"Okay, the job is yours — I can tell an experienced sheep-herder when I see one."

ANGORA SALE

(Continued from page 9)

Does and Bucks not later than June 1, 1951. Mail all applications for inspection to P. E. Gulley Box 392, Uvalde, Texas. The Breeders who have made application to enter the sale will be notified by the Secretary or the Classifier. The classifier will inspect all goats. Inspected failure to have their bucks or does ready on that day will forfeit all privileges of the sale. All inspections will take place after June 25 except where it is agreeable with the consignor. The Breeder will offer with the consignor Does and Bucks of his own CHOICE and the Classifier will take from those so offered all that are worthy up to the limits of this sale. Does will be limited to a total not to exceed 60 head and that number will be equally divided between the Breeders. Illustration 15. Breeders making applications in this case 60 divided by 2 would make the limit 4 Does to the individual Breeder. All consignors of Does will be notified by the Secretary what this limit will be as soon as possible after the close of entries June 1.

5. The Consignor must pay the entry fee of \$1.00 per head on all Goats that are accepted to the Secretary or Classifier the day they are accepted, but will have 10 days from that date in which to furnish the Secretary with the registration certificates.

6. All sales Goats must be on the grounds not later than 1 p.m. Thursday, August 2. The classifier will select and price the 20 Bucks on that day beginning at 3 p.m. and this 25 will sell in the order in which they are placed.

10. No private sales will be permitted. Animals that have been sold may be carried away by the buyer at any time upon making the necessary arrangements with the secretary.

12. A consignor or breeder that interferes in any way with the bidder during the sale will be barred from membership in the association.

13. All goats entered in sale must pass through the auction unless deemed unfit by the Sifting Committee. In such an event the owner must remove said goat from grounds.

14. Any goat that fails to sell due to owner refusing bid will be permitted to be offered again at the close of the sale if owner wishes and permits.

15. All sales Goats will be identified by a fire brand on their horn or metal tags indicating their lot in the sale.

16. All goats will be held at the owner's risk until sold and the buyer's risk after being sold in the ring.

17. The Association will make every possible effort to secure fair and just treatment for all buyers and sellers in the sale, but assumes no financial liability for the safety of entries or for representation regarding them.

18. Misunderstanding or disputes as to bids will be settled by the Auctioneer. The auctioneer will have the right to reject any opening bid he deems unfair.

19. Terms of the sale are cash. All buyers will be asked to sign Purchase Agreements in all purchases made and settlement will be made in the basis of these agreements.

20. All goats entered removed from grounds must be cleaned out by the Secretary.

21. Right is reserved to reject entry of any goat of inferior quality.

22. The Sales Committee reserves the right to decide on anything pertaining to the sale not covered in these rules or by the By-Laws of the Association.

23. All Blue Ribbon Winners in the Annual

Show, become eligible to be entered in the sale.

24. No goat will be permitted to sell on the grounds at any time, unless it has been entered in the sale.

Rules Governing Show

Rule A-A. An entry fee of \$2.00 per head will be charged on all show goats.

Rule A. Entries to this show shall be open to the world subject to the rules and regulations of this Association.

Rule B. Exhibitors may enter animals in either type or classes but must show in type chosen throughout the entire show.

Rule C. All animals for show must be in their pens not later than 1 p.m. August 2nd.

Rule D. Only registered goats may be entered in Show.

Rule E. To be eligible for competition whether single or in groups, animals must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and all animals entered for competition except where otherwise specified, must be owned by exhibitor at the time of making the entry. In case of "get of sire" and "produce of dam" ownership shall not be required.

Rule F. Each exhibitor will be limited to two entries in each class.

Judging

Judging will start at 8:00 a.m. Friday, August 3, and continue until all classes are judged.

Rule G. In no case shall goats of different types compete against each other for a prize.

Rule H-H. In no case shall a kid compete for champion.

Rule I. All groups, including the champion, shall be judged by comparison.

Rule J. Animals not led out to be judged when their classes are shown will not be judged and will not receive a prize.

Rule K. Judges will not award a prize to an unworthy exhibit. It is the intention of the show that no premiums or distinction of any kind shall be given any animal or fleece that is not deserving. Judges are also requested to discriminate against animals upon which a surgical operation has been performed to improve their "show" appearance. These rules will be strictly adhered to whether there is competition or not.

Rule L. The decision of the judges shall be final in all classes except where mistakes, fraud, misrepresentation, not discovered at the time of the award, is proven. In such cases the president or such referee as he may appoint may make decision, or the case may be appealed to the Show Committee from which the president is appointed.

Rule P. All animals must be entered with the Secretary upon unloading and the breeder must obtain from the Secretary a release for same before he will be permitted to leave the grounds with them.

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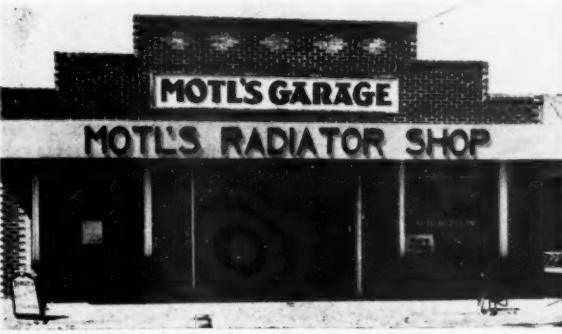
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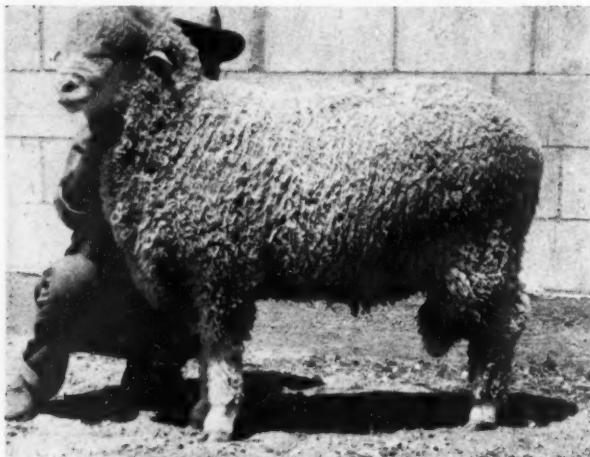
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ARTHUR BROOME, San Angelo ranchman and co-owner with Foster Rust in Producers Livestock Auction Company, has purchased his partner's share in the auction business.

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Many improvements have been made in the pens and in the ring during the four years of Broome-Rust ownership. New water pipes have been laid, catwalks extended and improved, floodlights were installed, and two new sets of scales have been installed.

There will be no changes in personnel or name. Rust will devote his time to his ranch interest near Vancouver.

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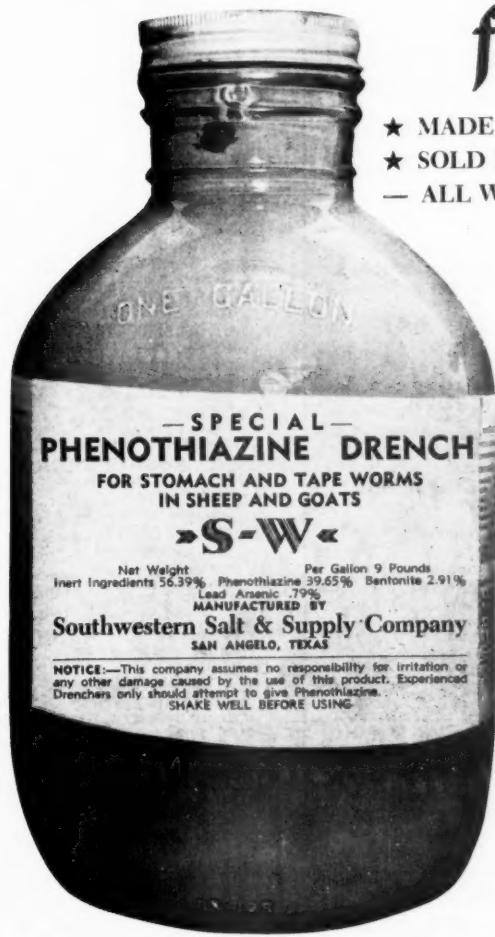
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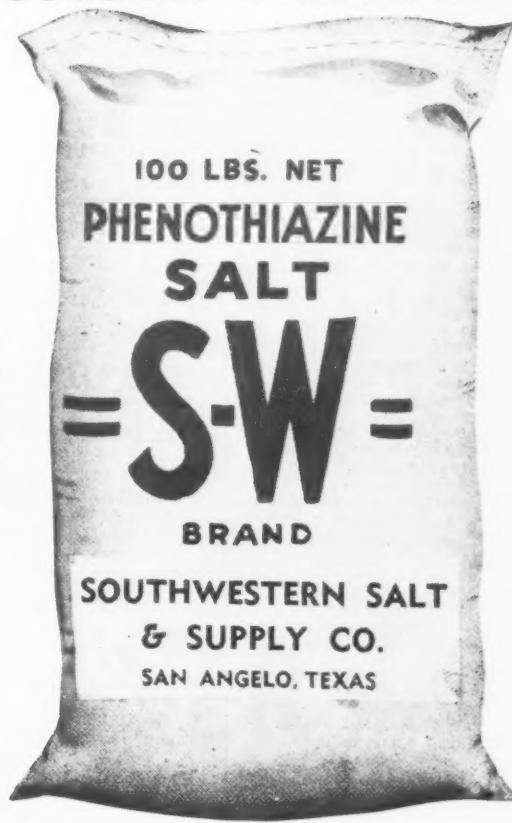
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By Jack B. Taylor

THERE IS a marked increase in numbers of registrations over our last fiscal year. Indications are that this increase will be about 19 to 20 percent. Only one more member is needed to make a 100% increase in number of members over last year.

Members joining since the last issue include: Don Johnson, Rt. 3, Hamlin, Texas; Lemuel Fleming, Junction, Texas; George T. McEwen, Robert Lee Road, San Angelo, Texas; H. L. Boykin and Son, Potsville, Texas and Wayne Bridges, Bronte, Texas. Wayne, six-year old son of Louis Bridges, paid for his membership with the pennies he had saved in his "Piggy Bank." He owns 45 head of breeding ewes.

Abilene Christian College is now in the registered Rambouillet business. The college has obtained six registered ewes from H. L. Moseley, also of Abilene.

Lee "Bucky" Atkins of Christoval was in the office recently to get two

registered ewes and a ram transferred. "Bucky" won the sheep in an essay contest sponsored by the San Antonio Rotary Club.

Leo Richardson, President of the Association, was the featured speaker at the awards banquet for the Iraan, Texas FFA Chapter. People who know Mr. Richardson would not hesitate to classify him as an expert on his subject — "Inspiration, Determination and Perspiration."

The Association office recently had a request for a list of breeders from Kodiak, Alaska. The Alaskan hopes to purchase some Rambouillet in September or October.

The registered Rambouillet ewe flock of Ervin Vassar, Dixon, California, now numbers 125 head following the purchase of 50 registered ewes from Wynn S. Hansen, Collinston, Utah.

Albert H. Doekles, Palo Cedro, California, writes that he purchased a flock of registered ewes from Charles Jacobsen, Redding, California. He now has some lambs to be registered and wants to join the Association.

Edmund W. Allen of Vernal, Utah, reports that his grand champion ram at the Vernal Livestock Show sheared 30 pounds on May 28th.

Rollie White Ledbetter of Melvin, Texas, has purchased a flock of reg-

istered Rambouillet and wants to become a member of the Association.

Reports from Utah and Oregon indicate that most breeders sold out of rams very early this year. This is true with a large number of Texas breeders also. The demand for quality Rambouillet rams is greater than ever before.

A number of the boys in the judging contest at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Show were members of registered Rambouillet Clubs or have memberships in their own names. These boys are working hard to learn the sheep business and are making excellent progress. Fritz Landers of Menard, high point man of the contest, has been a member since 1946. Some of the members who did not judge exhibited prize winning fleeces.

MORGAN-LEMLEY NEW RAMBOUILLET BREEDERS

A NEW consignor to the San Angelo Ram Sale and Junction All-Breed Sheep Sale is the Rambouillet breeding firm of Morgan and Lemley of San Angelo. This flock while established in 1946 has not consigned any of its range and stud sheep to the sales; 1951 will be its inaugural year.

The flock of Morgan and Lemley was established by Dr. George D. Morgan through the purchase of some of West Texas' finest ewes and stud Rambouillet rams. The ewes are from John Powell of Menard and Ed Rat-

liff of Bronte, and the flock has been culled very carefully each year. In 1950, 25 of the choicest ewes from the flock of W. C. Fuller, Paint Rock, were added. To these excellent ewes was placed a John Williams stud ram and also one from the John K. Maden Rambouillet Farms and B. F. Bridges and Son, Bronte. From this breeding come the bloodlines of the 15 rams that will be offered at San Angelo this year and the 12 that will be sold at the Junction All-Breed Sheep Sale.

Joe Lemley, who was formerly coordinator of the Veterans' Vocational Education program of San Angelo, is a partner in and manager of the flock. He is particularly proud of the polled rams which will be offered this year and believes they will be most attractive to the ranchmen who desire good polled stock. The rams being offered are well grown out and excellent quality.

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Jim Heath, member from Argyle, Texas, has left his job of Secretary to the Texas Purebred Sheep Breeders Association to go into the Army, May 29. First Lt. Heath has been called to active duty with the Field Artillery and will be stationed at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

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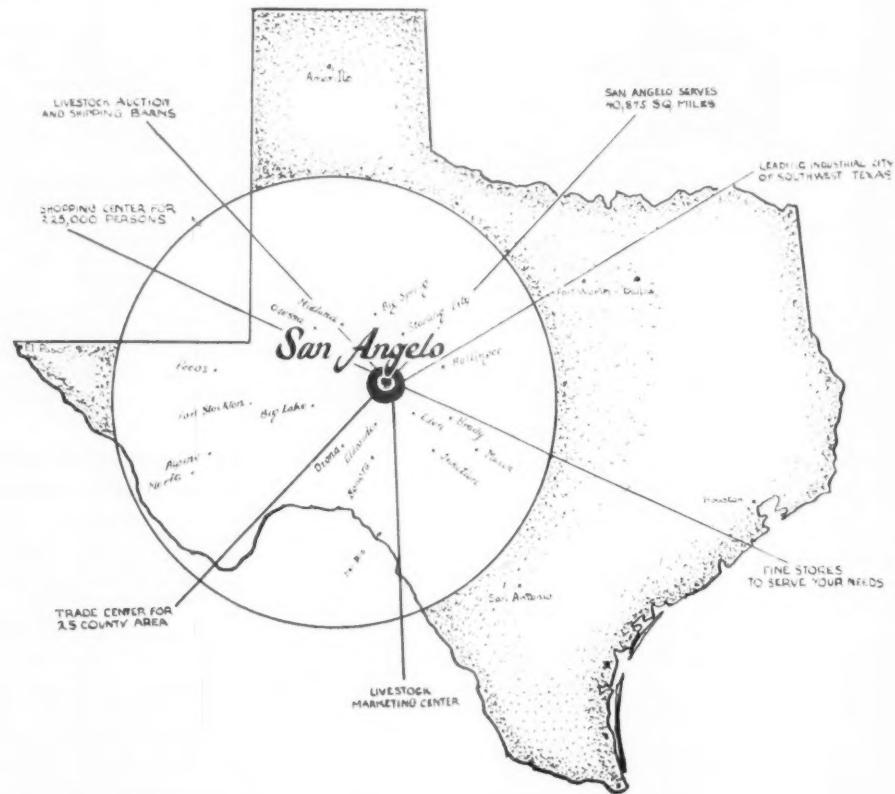
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Wool Show Best Ever Despite Hard Winter

ONE OF the best wool shows in the 14-year history of the Sonora event was held June 20-21. Eighty-five boys and girls in 20 4-H Club and FFA teams competed in grass, livestock, wool and mohair judging.

This year's show included 310 wool and mohair fleeces besides 24 bags of wool. Mohair fleeces broke all previous records for numbers entered.

Sponsors of the show, which is the largest fine wool show in the nation, were especially proud of the offerings this year. Despite dry weather the entries were better than ever making competition very keen. This outstanding quality was due largely to the major improvements recently in sheep and goat breeding.

The Auction sale which followed the show netted \$5,517. Proceeds from the sale go into the Lions club program for Boy and Girl Scout activities and other worthy causes.

The Sutton County 4-H Club took the major team honors. Joe David Ross of Sonora showed the champion bag of mohair. Jimmie Menzies of

Menard had the champion mohair fleece. Fritz Landers of Menard was overall high individual in the scoring.

Connie Mack Locklin showed the grand champion bag of wool and J. M. Auld, Jr. of Kerrville exhibited the grand champion single fleece in the boy's division.

Complete show results follow:

JUNIOR DIVISION

Fine wool yearling ewes, 1st, Connie Mack Locklin of Sutton County; 2nd, Nancy Hunt of Sutton; 3rd, Donnie Bode of Kimble; 4th and 5th, Corky Schwiening of Sutton; 6th, Travis Langford of Bander; 7th, Lois Ann Mann of Sutton.

Half-blood yearling ewes, 1st, Locklin; Fine wool aged ewes, 1st, Nancy Hunt; 2nd, Billy Bryan Savell of Sutton; 3rd, Odus Wittenburg of Choncho; 4th, Locklin; 5th, Nancy Hunt; 6th, J. M. Auld, Jr., Kerr; 7th, Genie McCarver of Sutton.

Fine wool lambs, 1st, J. M. Auld, Jr., of Kerr; 2nd, McCarver; 3rd, Auld; 4th, Locklin; 5th, Fritz Landers of Menard; 6th, Locklin; 7th, M. D. McWilliams of Concho.

Half-blood rams, 4th, Locklin; 5th, James Menzies of Menard; 6th, Stanley Adams of Coke.

Rambouillet yearling ewes, 1st, Genie Simon of Kimble; 2nd, Vicki Stevens of Junction FFA; 3rd, John Bladders of Menard; 4th, Phil Stopp of Junction FFA; 5th, Tommy Heffernan of Junction FFA; 6th, Johnny Winslow of Menard; 7th, Ted Bailey Joy of Sutton.

Delaine yearling ewes, 1st, Ola Mae Itz of Kimble; 2nd and 3rd, Millard L. Bennett of Coke; 4th, Ed Walker of Kimble; 5th, Ola Mae Itz; 6th, Ed Walker.

Rambouillet aged ewe, 1st, John B. Landers



BIG WINNER AGAIN — Joe David Ross of Sonora was a multi-fold winner at this year's Sonora Show. He had the champion bag of mohair (shown here), first place single fleece of a doe kid, first place single fleece of a registered buck, and for the third consecutive time exhibited the best record book.



THREE TIME WINNERS — The top team of the Sonora Wool Show for the third successive year is the Sutton County 4-H Club team. This group can now retain the Sonora National Farm Loan Association rotating trophy. The overall winners got their merits in judging, participation and exhibition. Fritz Landers of Menard (left) of the Menard 4-H team, was high individual in judging. The other 4-Hers are all from Sutton County. (Back row, l. to r.) Ted Bailey Joy, George Spinks, Betsy Ross, Connie Mack Locklin, John Mittel and Oscar Carpenter. (Front row) Joe David Ross, Carlos Leoffler, Ben R. Mittel and Rodney Davis. (Photo by Kelton, San Angelo Standard-Times)

**CHAMPION MOHAIR FLEECE**

Jimmie Menzies, 13-year-old Menard boy, showed this top mohair fleece at the Sonora Wool Show. The buck kid fleece weighed 4½ pounds at six months growth.

of Menard; 2nd, Duery Menzies of Menard 3rd, Jerry Dutton of Kimble; 4th, Fritz Landers; 5th, John B. Landers; 6th, Jerry Dutton; 7th, Jimmie Menzies.

Delaine aged ewes, 2nd, Russ Chalk of Sutton; 3rd and 4th, Locklin; 5th, Francis Kof of Kerr.

Corriedale ewes, 4th and 5th, Edward Lange of Kerr.

Rambouillet rams, 1st, Locklin; 2nd, Fritz Landers; 3rd, George Parker of Kimble; 4th, Bode; 5th and 6th, Rodney Davis of Sutton; 7th, Joy.

Delaine rams, 1st, Chalk; 2nd and 3rd, Locklin.

Champion single fleece, J. M. Auld, Jr.'s fine wool ram.

County group, single fleece wool, 1st, Sutton; 2nd, Kimble; 3rd, Menard.

Champion boy's bag of wool, Connie Mack Los Angeles.

Bag of fine wool yearling ewe wool, 1st, Locklin; 2nd, Corky Schiencing of Sutton; 3rd, Nancy Hunt; 4th, Auld; 5th, Billy Savell of Sonora; 6th, Tommy Espy of Sutton; 7th, Sutton Allison of Pecos.

Bag of fine aged ewe wool, 1st, Auld; 2nd, Nancy Hunt; 3rd, Locklin; 4th, Billy Bryan Savell; 5th, Judy Mann of Sutton; 6th, Espy; 7th, John Landers.

Best put-up junior bag of wool, 1st, Corky Schiencing; 2nd, Locklin; 3rd, Nancy Hunt; 4th, Savell; 5th and 6th, Auld; 7th, Locklin. County group bag of wool, 1st, Sutton County.

Yearling range doe, 1st, Scotty Menzies of Menard County; 2nd, Jimmie Menzies of Menard; 3rd, Scotty Menzies; 4th, Joe David Ross of Sutton.

Range billies, yearlings and up, 1st, Scotty Menzies; 2nd and 3rd, Jimmy Menzies; 4th, Scotty Menzies; 5th, Fritz Landers; 6th and 7th, John B. Landers.

Range doe kid, 1st, John B. Landers; 2nd, Joe David Ross; 3rd, Betsy Ross; 4th, Joe David Ross; 5th, Betsy Ross; 6th, Fritz Landers; 7th, Scotty Menzies.

Range billie kid, 1st, Jimmie Menzies; 2nd, Fritz Landers; 3rd, Scotty Menzies; 4th, John B. Landers.

Registered doe yearlings and up, 1st, Corky Schiencing of Sutton; 2nd, Jack Moore of Kerr; 3rd, Frank Moore of Menard; 4th, Russell Kuntz of Bandera; 5th, Fritz Landers of Menard; 6th, Corky Schiencing; 7th, Moore.

Registered billie yearlings and up, 1st, Joe David Ross; 2nd, Corky Schiencing; 3rd, Moore; 4th and 5th, Koontz; 6th, Fritz Landers; 7th, Moore.

Registered doe kids, 1st, Joe David Ross; 2nd, Fritz Landers; 3rd, John B. Landers; 4th, 5th and 6th, Betsy Ross; 6th, Moore; 7th, Fritz Landers.

Billie kids, 1st, John B. Landers; 2nd, Moore; 3rd, Joe David Ross; 4th, John B. Landers; 5th, Joe David Ross; 6th and 7th, Betsy Ross.

Corriedale mohair, 1st, Menard County; 2nd, Sutton County.

Bar adult hair, 1st, Joe David Ross; 2nd, Fritz Landers; 3rd, Moore.

Bag kid mohair, 1st, Fritz Landers.

Grand champion bag of mohair, Joe David Ross.

Champion mohair fleece, Jimmie Menzies. 1st, 1st.

JUDGING CONTESTS

Overall high teams in judging, 1st, Menard 4-H, 4,073 points; 2nd, Kimble 4-H, 3,995; 3rd, Kerr FFA, 3,986; Schleicher 4-H, 3,933.

Overall high individuals, 1st, Fritz Landers; of Menard, 1,453; 2nd, Bennett Ragsdale of Kimble, 1,391; 3rd, M. D. McWilliams of Menard, 1,377; 4th, Nease, Kerr FFA, 1,361; 5th, Ray Edwards of Tom Green, 1,335; 6th, Betsy Ross of Sutton, 1,330; David Powell of Schleicher, 1,328.

Plant judging 1st, individual, M. D. McWilliams; 2nd, Bennett Ragsdale; 3rd, J. M. Auld, Jr.; Kerr FFA; 1st team, Menard 4-H; 2nd,

Schleicher 4-H; 3rd, Kerr FFA; 4th, Kimble 4-H.

Mohair judging, 1st individual, Fritz Landers; 2nd, Neal Mears; 3rd, David Powell; 4th, Kimble 4-H; 5th, Kerr FFA; 6th, Schleicher 4-H; 7th, Sutton 4-H; 8th, Menard 4-H.

Wool judging, 1st individual, Bennett Ragsdale; 2nd and 3rd, tie between Ray Edwards of Tom Green and Wayne Fee of Bandera FFA; 1st team, Kimble 4-H; 2nd, Bandera FFA; 3rd, Menard 4-H; 4th, Iraan FFA.

Rope books, 1st, Joe David Ross; 2nd, Fritz Landers; 3rd, David Powell of Schleicher; 4th, Billy B. Savell of Sutton; 5th, Perry Bushong of Kerr 4-H.

Overall top teams in all phases of show 1st, Sutton 4-H, 4,558; 2nd, Menard 4-H, 4,465; 3rd, Kerr FFA, 4,166; 4th, Kimble 4-H, 4,046.

ADULT DIVISION

Fine wool yearling ewes, 1st, Joe Berger of Sonora; 2nd, Edgar Glasscock of Sonora; 3rd, Berger.

Half-blood yearling ewe, 1st, Noelke & Owens of Sheffield.

Fine wool aged ewes, 1st, Edgar Glasscock; 2nd, Joe Berger; 3rd, Miers Savell of Sonora.

Fine wool ram, 1st and 2nd, Wilfred Berger of Sonora; 3rd, Glasscock.

Rambouillet yearling ewe, 1st, L. L. Richardson of Iraan; 2nd, Rod Richardson of Iraan; 3rd, Miles Pierce of Alpine.

Delaine yearling ewe, 1st and 2nd, R. R. Walston of Menard.

Corriedale yearling ewe, 2nd, Noelke and Owens.

Rambouillet aged ewes, 1st, A. B. Culberson of Brownwood; 2nd and 3rd, Noelke & Owens.

Delaine aged ewe, 1st, Walston.

Corriedale aged ewes, 1st and 2nd, Noelke and Owens.

Rambouillet rams, 1st, Leo Richardson of Iraan; 2nd, Rod Richardson; 3rd, Pierce.

Delaine rams, 1st, Ben Cusenberry, Sonora; 2nd, W. F. Stelzer of Bandera; 3rd, David Winter of Mills County.

Corriedale rams, 1st and 2nd, Noelke and Owens.

Fine wool aged ewes, 1st, James Hunt of Sonora; 2nd, J. M. Auld of Kerr County; 3rd, T. E. Glasscock of Sonora.

Bag of fine wool yearling ewe wool, 1st, H. E. Glasscock; 2nd, Joe Berger; 3rd, James Hunt.

COLUMBIA BREEDERS ELECT MARK BRADFORD

NEWLY ELECTED president of the Columbia Sheep Breeders Association is Mark Bradford of Spanish Fork, Utah.

At the annual meeting, held the third week in June, were more than 100 breeders from Florida, Texas, Wyoming, Ohio, North Dakota and Montana.

Other officers elected were Jim Noble of Page, North Dakota, vice president; and Alma Espan of Logan, Utah, re-elected secretary.

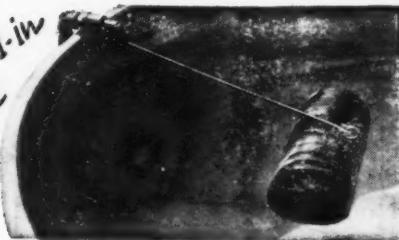
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For the past three years he has been head of District 6, which included 24 counties in the Trans-Pecos region.

About 26 out of the 40 years since Barnes was graduated from A and M College have been devoted to the service of the school in the field of livestock.

Named to succeed Barnes is J. M. Glover, Jr. Glover has been county agent in Victoria County since April 1947. He will take over his new duties July 1.

HOLT WAREHOUSE DESTROYED

THE WIND which struck Abilene June 10 destroyed the Harry Holt Wool and Mohair Co. warehouse. The building was constructed this year.

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